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A MINE HORROR Explosion in a Colliery in England.

A Hundred or More Men Imprisoned in the Death Pit. A Score or More Taken to the Surface Dead or Dying. Many Miners Still Imprisoned-Flames Make All Attempts to Rescue Them Almost Impossible-Als Probably Dead or Doomed.

By Telegram to The Times. LONDON, Dec. 14.-[By Cable and Associated Press.] A fearful explosion occurred this morning in the Bamfurlong colliery, Wigan, Lancashire, and not less than fifty lives were lost. The men went to work this morning as usual after the mine had been inspected. Shortly afterward a fearful explosion shook the earth, and a cloud of smoke shot up through the shaft. It is supposed the explosion was caused by an accumulation of coal gas, which the inspector overlooked on his rounds.

As soon as the explosion occurred women and children rushed to the mouth of the pit, where there were the usual heartrending scenes witnessed when such an accident occurs. Steps were immediately taken to ascertain the extent of the disaster, and many volunteered to explore the pit. Later advice says that the loss of life may be less than at first reported, but the situation is critical. One hundred men remain in the mine unable to get out, owing to the fire, which followed the explosion, and which is raging fiercely. Every effort is being made to subdue the fire and bring the survivors to the surface. It is impossible at present to give the loss of life.

Twenty miners have just been rescued in bad condition. Men are still being imprisoned in a seam below where the fire is raging. There are strong hopes that many of them will be rescued. The rescue parties report horrible scenes in the mine. The bodies lie in twos and threes. As the men fell large sections of the roof and galleries collapsed. Amid the ruins were found mangled bodies and half burned limbs. The ruins blocked many parts of the mine, and therefore the men searching for bodies were unable to give any definite idea of the number lost. Several miners who were just alive when found, died on the way to the surface, or shortly after being taken from the car. The work of rescue will be continued through the night, although there is little hope that more men will be taken out alive.

A MISSING MAN. A Noted Scientist Disappears-Last Heard from at Los Angeles. New York, Dec. 14.-[Special.] A petition was filed in the Surrogate's Court at Jamaica, L. I., this afternoon for the probate of the will of James H. L. Hommedieu, the millionaire builder at Great Neck. The petition recites that the whereabouts of one of the decedent's sons, Theodore L. Hommedieu, is unknown. When last heard from he had started to explore the big trees of California, and it is supposed that he was lost or murdered in one of the forests. He had a great reputation as an antiquarian, and often wandered through the forests for days at a time searching for rare archaeological objects. Just before starting on his last exploring expedition he wrote a letter to his sister, Miss Caroline L. Hommedieu dated at Los Angeles.

TWO MORE MISSING MEN. ST. LOUIS, Dec. 14.-Albert M. Lacroix, a prominent lawyer of Effingham, Ill., has been missing since November 28. He had with him, when he left Effingham, at least \$1000. He was last seen at the railway depot, and told parties there that he was going home, but he has not been heard of since. Henry Harris came here December 4 from Reelfoot, Tenn., and collected \$1000 on a ship's lot of cotton, and he also is missing. In both cases there is no suspected cause for the disappearance except foul play, and the families of the two men are working on that theory.

Catholic Bishops in Council. ST. LOUIS, Dec. 14.-The Council of Suffragan Bishops of the metropolitan see of St. Louis, of the Roman Catholic Church, met here today. The two leading points of interest to be acted on are the choice of three names to be sent to Rome, from which a coadjutor to the aged Archbishop Kenrick will be selected, and the raising of the diocese of Iowa to the dignity of a metropolitan see by the creation of one or two additional bishoprics and the elevation of Bishop Hennerty to archiepiscopal dignity. It is not within the power of the council to decree this, but it can suggest the propriety of such action to the authorities at Rome. The council will be held in entire secrecy, and the result of its deliberations will not be known till after action has been taken at Rome.

A Western Union Dividend. NEW YORK, Dec. 14.-The directors of the Western Union declared a quarterly dividend of 1 1/4 per cent. The vacancy in the directorate, caused by the death of Jay Gould, was not filled.

More Specie Shipments. NEW YORK, Dec. 14.-The steamer La Bourgoigne took \$1,000,000 in gold and \$750,000 in silver. There is less talk about gold shipments by Saturday's steamers.

FEDERATION OF LABOR. A Resolution for Substituting Education for Boycotts and Strikes.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 14.-[By the Associated Press.] At the meeting of the American Federation of Labor this morning, the Committee on Resolutions reported a plan to create national or international unions wherever seven unions of any particular craft have been formed. President Gompers thought it would not always be practicable, owing to the weakness of new unions. Debate on the question was suspended to listen to the address of ex-Senator Blair of New Hampshire on his proposed improvement of the common school system.

A special committee was appointed for the consideration of methods for limiting to their proper functions the military and judicial powers, which, it was resolved, had been used in contravention of law and good government during the recent labor encounters. Another resolution on the same topic was reported favorably, providing that as the strike and boycott had failed as weapons of organized labor, a campaign of education should be inaugurated by the federation and the irresistible power of the ballot be arrayed in the struggle for union supremacy. This was referred to the same special committee, together with other resolutions aiming against the military.

A large number of other resolutions were introduced, among them the following: For prohibiting Japanese immigration; for a Congressional investigation into the Cough of Alene mining troubles. A breeze over the tariff was provoked by a negative report on the resolution asking an extra session of Congress for the passing of free-trade legislation. A number of resolutions from the affiliated bodies were read, and the convention adjourned until tomorrow.

A STARTLING RUMOR.

Ex-Secretary Blaine Said to Be on His Deathbed. Members of His Family Give Out a Contrary Report-The Story About His Religious Change Affirmed and Denied.

By Telegram to The Times. NEW YORK, Dec. 14.-[By the Associated Press.] The following special dispatch has been received from Washington: "James G. Blaine is now on his deathbed. The strength-sapping malady from which he has suffered for so long a time has assumed a form which warns his family and friends of a speedy termination. The disease attacked the lungs a short time ago, and its course baffled the skill of the physicians. There is reason to believe his death may occur at any day."

"A strong belief prevails here that it is Blaine's desire to die a communicant of the church of which his mother was a devout member. Father Ducey's visit to the Blaine residence naturally accentuated this talk."

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.-"Very much better," was the reply given this evening at the family residence to an inquiry about the health of James G. Blaine.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.-A Washington dispatch says that James G. Blaine, Jr., is authority for the statement that his father has not joined the Catholic Church.

SATOLLI'S MISSION.

Its Scope Very Fully Explained in a Circular. BALTIMORE, Dec. 14.-[By the Associated Press.] There has just been issued for private circulation among the bishops of the Catholic Church in the United States an abstract of the minutes of the late conference of archbishops in New York. It states that Mgr. Satolli informed the metropolitans that he had been commissioned by the Holy Father to speak to them in his name on questions of Catholic education. He then read and explained fourteen propositions which he laid before the archbishops for the purpose of finally settling the school question, and indicating the means that should be adopted for imparting religious instruction to Catholic children.

After having declared that this statement was made in the name of the Pope, he went on to say that he had been charged, moreover, by the Pope to inform the metropolitans that as it has been customary with the Holy See to appoint an apostolic delegate to reside permanently in the country where the hierarchy is well established and religion flourishing, it was the Pope's heartfelt desire that now a permanent apostolic delegation be established in the United States, with the concurrence of the most reverend archbishops. Certain modifications were suggested to this, and Satolli explained that the document represented the wish of the Pope, which did not admit of discussion, but that the style and expressions were his (Satolli's), and he would be happy to make in them any modifications the assembled prelates deemed best.

After considerable discussion certain modifications were made on lines previously stated in these dispatches. Archbishop Ireland having resigned the position of secretary, Bishop Chapelle was elected to that position.

Another Train-robber Caught. HENNINGTON (W. Va.), Dec. 14.-Tom Collins was arrested here this morning, charged with being the other of the train-robbers. He made a complete confession of the entire affair, saying that Forrey planned it two weeks ago. The prisoners waived examination and both were bound over without bonds.

No Hope for Col. Hernandez. NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 14.-A special to the Times-Democrat from the City of Mexico states that the sentence of death passed by the Military Court at Monterey and confirmed against Col. Hernandez, will be carried out next Monday at sunrise. Col. Hernandez was tried upon charges of assisting Garza to escape.

Treasury Purchases of Silver. WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.-The Treasury department today purchased 32,000 ounces of silver at \$0.8345.

DANNY LOSES.

The Needham-Smith Fight at San Francisco.

Fourteen Rounds of Terrific Slugging for a \$2000 Purse.

The Boston Bruiser Too Much for the ex-Champion.

A Stray Blow Sends the Referee to the Floor-The Fightists Very Evenly Matched Until the Last Few Rounds.

By Telegram to The Times. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 14.-[By the Associated Press.] Danny Needham, ex-champion welterweight, and Billy Smith of Boston engaged in a glove contest for a \$2000 purse at the Pacific Athletic Club tonight. There was a preliminary contest between Dan Cook and Tom Gorman, novices of this city. It was to be a ten-round affair, but Cook was knocked out in the sixth round.

Needham and Smith appeared as soon as the preliminary contest was finished, and their battle began. Smith scored the first blow, a light right-arm hook on the jaw, but was hit back by Needham in a clinch. Smith fought very freely, Needham not having warmed up. Clinches were frequent, and Smith took every possible advantage.

Needham scored several hard left jabs in Smith's face in the third round. The Boston boy took a great many chances in his anxiety to wind up the fight quickly. Both men countered heavily in the fourth round. Smith fought viciously and made the pace pretty hot for Needham, who was forced to back ground frequently. Needham landed a sickener over Smith's head and swung a hard left on his neck. Needham stopped a rush head and took every advantage. Smith was bleeding at the mouth.

The fifth and sixth rounds were marked by hard countering. Most of Smith's right swings landed on Needham's ribs, but he closed the sixth round with a left swing on Needham's face, staggering the latter.

The seventh was a hard round, Smith having a trifle the best of it. He had a lump over his left eye. Needham's lip was bleeding.

In the eighth round Smith nearly dropped Needham with a left in the body. In the ninth round Needham sent Smith to a sitting position with a right upper-cut. The latter retaliated by knocking Needham down twice with his right. He had Needham groggy and held to him, slugging with his right on his face and taking every advantage. Needham was sent down again, but drove Smith back with two savage left drives that landed, through luck, on Smith's jaw. Needham was in bad shape in this round.

In the tenth round the men came together in a hot rally. The referee was accidentally sent sprawling. Smith threw Needham, but the latter, though shaky, came back hard on Smith's nose, which bled freely. It was give and take, with the chances in favor of Smith, who was much the fresher of the two.

In the eleventh there was great countering with fists. Smith was strong and his right hooks were very forcible. Needham was fighting an uphill battle with much determination. Smith's eyes were closing.

In the twelfth round Smith slowed up somewhat in a hot rally. The referee was accidentally sent sprawling. Smith threw Needham, but the latter, though shaky, came back hard on Smith's nose, which bled freely. It was give and take, with the chances in favor of Smith, who was much the fresher of the two.

THE WORLD'S FAIR.

Cleveland to Touch the Button That Starts the Machinery. CHICAGO, Dec. 14.-[By the Associated Press.] At a meeting of the Committee on Ceremonies of the World's Fair today it was decided that Grover Cleveland will touch the button starting the 14,000 horse power plant which is to run the machinery of the exposition. The other exercises will consist of the reading of a poem by Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes and a prayer. It is intended to have the exercises of the briefest possible character.

The dispute concerning the letting of the contract for the official catalogue of the World's Fair is being settled, as Conkey, to whom the contract was given, announced tonight that he had no objections to labor unions and he intended to pay more than wages to the men who worked on the catalogue. Tomorrow the entire subject will be arranged.

Against Repealing the Sherman Act. CHICAGO, Dec. 14.-The Executive Committee of the American Bi-metallic League today adopted resolutions protesting against the repeal of the act of July 9, stating that it would leave our monetary system just as it was under the demonetizing act of 1873, and deprive bi-metallicism of all the advantages gained in twenty years' earnest effort. Any change in the existing law, unless in furtherance of free coinage, is unequivocally opposed.

Another Raise in Whisky. LOUISVILLE (Ky.), Dec. 14.-The whisky trust has issued another circular raising the price of whisky 5

TODAY'S BULLETIN.

The Times

BY TELEGRAPH.

Many miners were killed by a colliery disaster in England. Blaine is reported on his death-bed. President Carnot of France may resign in consequence of the Panama Canal scandal. United States troops are pursuing Mexican outlaws on the Rio Grande. Skirmishing on the question of proposed silver legislation has begun in the House. Prominent railway men are at Washington urging repeal of the law prohibiting pooling. Theodore L'Hommiedieu, a scientist, is missing. Cleveland will touch the button that starts the machinery at the World's Fair. King Behanzin of Dahomey complains that the French violated their agreement with him. Rev. Dr. Briggs continues his defense before the New York Presbytery. Indications are that the German Army Bill will not pass and the Reichstag will be dissolved. The Brussels conference will probably reassemble after a few weeks' adjournment.

IN AND ABOUT THE CITY.

The decision against the city in the DeHail case has been affirmed. The Coronado suicide positively identified as Katie Morgan. Fatal cutting affray on Pico Heights. Interest in the poultry show on the increase. F. M. Garrett moving to secure a pardon from San Quentin. Meeting of the executive committee of the Reform Association. Abrupt ending of the Ah Him robbery case. The Angels capture another ball game. News from neighboring counties.

WEATHER INDICATIONS.

For Southern California: Fair; cool north to east winds.

CARNOT TO RESIGN.

The Panama Scandal Reaches Even the President.

Some of His Relatives and Friends Said to Be Implicated-The Investigation Gradually Dragging Out the Bottom Facts.

By Telegram to The Times. LONDON, Dec. 14.-[By Cable and Associated Press.] A dispatch from Paris to the Central News Agency says that the rumors that President Carnot will resign shortly are confirmed this evening. At Tuesday's Cabinet meeting, during a heated dispute between Hibot and Rouvier, the President interposed and remarked: "The action of certain ministers renders my retention of office almost impossible."

Carnot's difficulty is increased by reports that his family and brothers are involved in the Panama Canal scandal. PARIS, Dec. 14.-The principal witnesses examined by the Panama canal committee today were Rouvier, who yesterday resigned the finance portfolio; Constans, former Minister of the Interior, and Clemenceau, the well-known Radical Deputy.

Rouvier declared that he had nothing to add to what he said yesterday. When he asked Baron Reinach if he had committed any criminal offenses or bribed any Senators or Deputies, the Baron replied: "No, I have realized some profits, which I have shared with certain friends."

Clemenceau testified that Rouvier asked him to see Herz on account of the desperate state of mind into which Baron Reinach had been driven by the charges brought against him by various newspapers. Witness did not know why Reinach applied to Herz to have the press attacks stopped. When witness and Baron Reinach left the house of Constans, the last-named gentleman having declared that he instigated the newspaper agitation, the Baron said: "I am lost."

Georges Duval, acting editor of La Libre Parole, who was summoned to testify before the committee, has written a disrespectful letter, in which he refuses to appear, and declares that Drumont, editor of the paper, must be liberated from prison. The committee discussed at length the proposal to invest it with judicial powers, and decided that in view of the attitude of the government and the assistance it had given the committee no further powers were necessary.

A GLOOMY REPORT.

Commissioner Morgan Says Indian Education is a Failure.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.-[By the Associated Press.] Indian Commissioner Morgan has sent to the Secretary of the Interior a letter stating that a crisis has been reached in the work carried on by the Indian Office in the education of Indian children. He says that the office is helpless to further enforce the regulations made in accordance with the act of 1890, and lays the facts in the case before the Secretary for his information. Gen. Morgan gives the details of several recent cases where the authority of the Government, as represented by Indian agents, has been openly defied. Morgan says he does not believe in violence, but he certainly does think the Government should show the Indians that it is in earnest in the matter. He is of the opinion that all that would be necessary would be to show force. The Commissioner makes no specific recommendations.

Fatal Duel in Mexico. CITY OF MEXICO, Dec. 14.-A duel was fought yesterday near Oaxaca by Murillo Diaz and Nicholas Fernandez, both under 21 years. The boys had trouble about a young woman. Diaz was killed at the first exchange of shots.

Death of a Historian. HALIFAX (N.S.), Dec. 14.-The death occurred at Truro today of Sir Adam George Archibald, K.C.M.G., aged 78. He was one of the best-known historians in Canada.











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In Missouri they rhyme synonymous with Arkansas.

Doc PARKHURST has apparently stepped on the tiger's tail.

The State of Wyoming seems to have more Governor than it can use.

Judging by Paderewski's hair, he would make an ideal member of a football team.

The Farmers' Alliance has struck England. Now let the g.o.m. look out for landslides.

SANTA CLAUS is going to be over-worked like everything for the next couple of weeks or so.

BEER is hereafter to be supplied with the drunk all strained out of it. Keeley is getting in his work.

TAKE down Ada Rehan and let Mary Elizabeth Lease pose for that statue. That would be something like.

WELL, Mrs. Lease cannot be President anyway, and her ambition will have to stop at the Senate. She was born in Ireland.

THE "bankrupt treasury" of the United States has nearly four thousand tons of pig silver in it. Who wouldn't be a bankrupt like that?

IF Mr. Cleveland should make John P. Irish some kind of a Cabinet officer, the Oakland Times will have a conception of that will be worth going miles to see.

DATE HILL is not going into the insurance business after all. He probably wants to stay around close by, so he can make Grover's life a burden to him.

REV. HENRY PRESERVED SMITH has been found guilty. Well, thank Heaven, that wipes one of those heresy cases off the daily newspaper docket any way—we hope.

DR. RANDOLPH W. HILL of San Pedro has been saying some preposterous things to a San Diego-Sun reporter, intended to be complimentary to J. De Barth Shorb.

CHICAGO has just completed a new four-mile tunnel under Lake Michigan, and the papers over there gloat because the burglars and highwaymen haven't held it up yet.

OKINAWA county is getting famous mighty fast. The Ohio State Journal glories in the fact that the result of the election does not hinge upon the returns from up there.

THE recent convey and unspeakable mugwump, Wayne MacVeagh, wants to be Grover's Minister to the Court of St. Jim. We stand on this—anything to get Wayne out of the country.

THOSE arsenic soup kitchens at Homestead do not seem to be very popular, even though there is a hard winter on over there. Just plain ordinary soup is good enough for anybody.

GOVERNOR-ELECT LLEWELLING of Kansas got his start on the tow-path of a canal. It is needless to say that this was not in the crank-sunflower State, however. A canal out there on the prairies would be but an idle dream.

GOV. LLEWELLING of Kansas will have no dancing at his inauguration. He is a calamity howler of course, and the exercises of the occasion will probably be enlivened by a big whoop of despair by all the Kansas cranks in concert.

The statement made by the San Bernardino Times-Index touching the effect of the recent land decision of the Supreme Court "seems to be without foundation," because the lands in question are not all in the hands of actual settlers.

THE San Bernardino Times-Index is going to have Blaine open the citrus fair at Colton. If Emperor Bill of Germany, Mr. Gladstone and the Prince of Wales could also be prevailed upon to join the festivities, it would add to the eclat.

AS we expected, the baseball pennant does not come to Los Angeles. But up to date our club are the winners of it, and the mere withholding of the emblem of victory cuts no figure in the case. 'Rah for the Angel ball slingers! They are great!

G. HAMILTON GRIFFIN ought to come back to Los Angeles. When he went up to British Columbia and got in jail this town lost one of its most picturesque features. We are short on fakers of the Griffin type just at present—"Smooty" having disappeared also—and he would doubtless catch on here in great shape.

UNAIRED and not at all fairy-like, Lillian Russell is now trying to take all the nasty things back she said about the people and the country west of Denver. It is too late, Lill; you said it and that lets us out with you. When you "tromp" on our feelings, Lill, you become disliked, and that settles it. Go and be a silver statue for all we care, but don't come over the divide again or we'll roast you.

## The Problem of California's Development.

The report of Gen. N. P. Chipman, chairman of the Committee on Industrial Resources of the State Board of Trade, published in full, and exclusively, by THE TIMES yesterday morning, is a valuable statistical study, based on the last Government census. Gen. Chipman correctly premises that the strength and power of the West have resulted from the rapid increase of the farming population, and that the wealth of California lies in her soil and its capabilities under our strikingly favorable climatic influences. Assuming that, wherever agriculture has been the basis of wealth, the lands have been first occupied in small holdings, and the towns have been built up later, he sees no reason why this law should be reversed in California. And yet it has been reversed to a great extent, especially in Northern California. The object of his investigation has been to show in which sections there has been a normal, healthy growth, and in which sections the growth, if any, has been abnormal and unsatisfactory. It is hardly necessary to say that Southern California proves to be the salt that savors the development of the State. Some of the upper counties show an actual and even a heavy decrease of population during the decade from 1880 to 1890, and some, while showing an increase in the towns, have a considerable falling off in the rural population. While the whole State has gained 843,486 people, 265,323, or over 77 per cent., have settled in the cities and towns, while 78,113, or less than 33 per cent., have taken to the rural districts. More than one-third of the entire increase has gone into the three cities of San Francisco, Oakland and Los Angeles.

By making figures on groups of counties in various parts of the State, and comparing them, Gen. Chipman finds that seven counties of Southern California have received 61 per cent. of the entire increase of rural population. Putting the matter in another way, we may say that, while the rural population of the State has been increasing at the rate of 33 out of every 100 new settlers, the seven counties in the South have secured 20 of these, and the remaining 13 have been distributed among the other 46 counties. This puts the matter in a strong light, and no wonder the far seeing people of the upper end of the State are alarmed by it.

Undoubtedly Gen. Chipman's idea in making this study has been to awaken his neighbors up-country to their shortcomings and to scare them a little by showing them whether they are drifting. In making this comparison between the North and the South, he has not minced matters, and he has done full mathematical justice to our section. He corrects an error in estimating the percentage of increase for Los Angeles county, which was noted by THE TIMES at the time the census bulletin giving this data appeared. We then rearranged the figures to show the percentage of increase in Los Angeles and Orange counties, taken together. He says:

Orange county was formed in 1880, and all the population there found was placed in the column of increase for that county in 1890. The fact is, that by consulting the census of 1880 we find 8579 of this increase for 1890 were in the same territory in 1880. In giving the increase for Los Angeles, the census bulletin treats this number 8579, as in Los Angeles county in 1880, and thus diminishes the increase in the latter county. I have in my table dealt with Orange fairly, but have deducted these 8579 from her apparent increase, thus correctly showing what has taken place in the territory comprising the two counties, and thus giving Los Angeles the full credit to which she is entitled.

In endeavoring to find the cause for the marked contrast in development between the northern and the southern counties Gen. Chipman says:

Turn back and consult the tables, and in every case, with a very few exceptions, where there has been substantial increase you will find a county where fruit is the distinctive attraction. The exceptions are cases not involving agricultural development; as, for example, Siskiyou and Humboldt, where the lumber interest brought the people in large part. In no instance will you find any growth worth mentioning in the rural districts where wheat farming is the leading industry. Generally in such districts there is an actual loss of population and decadence of prosperity. The towns have grown in some counties, but the country has not.

It will be seen also that while 61 per cent. of our rural increase is in the seven counties south of the Tehachapi Mountains, the balance is nearly all south of a line drawn east and west through the city of Sacramento.

It is worth our while to search out a reason for this. It does not lie in soil or climate; the conditions both of soil and climate are even more favorable north of this line than south of it, by reason of similar conditions generally, and with the added comparative cheapness of lands and increased rainfall north of the line, which makes irrigation unnecessary to grow fruits successfully. What is the cause?

Primarily I attribute it to large land holdings and a failure or unwillingness of the owners to subdivide and invite immigration.

Another potent cause is the absence of competition in transportation lines, by reason of which there has not been that stimulus on the part of carriers,

energizing in the South, to promote immigration and create new business.

Gen. Chipman writes from the standpoint of an up-country horticulturist, and he is therefore disposed to magnify the natural resources of his portion of the State. If he should acknowledge the irrigating systems of Southern California as a real source of wealth, instead of a comparative disadvantage, he would be nearer the mark.

The history of all irrigating countries shows that this sort of agricultural development leads to intensive culture, the largest average returns per acre and the largest rural population.

Gen. Chipman does not over-estimate the value of railroad competition in the development of Southern California, or the importance of individual enterprise in opening up large tracts to settlement. Per contra, he is correct in his estimate of the deterrent factors of the North in land monopoly and in the depopulating and unthrifty tendency of grain farming on a large scale. This sort of development tends to make a few men rich and to beggar the country. It is a sort that is worse than no development at all.

We are certainly under obligations to Gen. Chipman for showing us the bright side of his picture, but the people of the North, if they are wise, will thank him more for showing them the gloomy side. It is for their good, and is only that kind of advice which a sincere friend will tender.

## The Azusa—Its Troubles and Triumphs.

No horticultural or agricultural section of Southern California is advancing on broader lines of development than the Azusa, at the eastern end of the San Gabriel Valley. It enjoys the very choicest advantages of soil and climatic conditions and water supply, and is famous for its oranges, apricots, peaches, pears, and small fruits. It is also becoming famous for its large output of produce of various kinds. The farmers and fruit-growers there are gradually acquiring an independence, and the result is manifest in finely improved and carefully tended places, and in creditable residences.

While the Azusa has always enjoyed the same natural advantages that it now possesses, it has not always been an exemplar of thrift and prosperity. And therein lies a text upon which a valuable sermon might be preached to the residents of outlying sections. It would be a sermon of peace and good will to men, with the reward promised right here on earth in greatly augmented prosperity.

The early settlers of the Azusa were what are commonly termed squatters. The whole country was supposed to be covered by a Spanish grant, and was at one time in the possession of one man. But a survey showed that the grant did not cover as much land as the holder believed it did, and so the squatters came in and took up preemption claims. This precipitated a contest in the courts between the putative owner and the settlers, and the contest dragged its slow length along for twenty years. The heavy expense involved bankrupted the grant owner. At one time he had been the possessor of all the land from the west line of Baldwin's ranch, near Sierra Madre, to the head of the San Gabriel Valley, a stretch of twelve or fifteen miles. He eked out the latter end of his life in a little cabin near his old homestead, which he occupied by sufferance, and at the time of his death he did not possess a foot of land on earth.

While the struggle in the courts was thus disastrous to the old grant owner, it bore pretty heavily on the settlers as well. About every dollar that they could scrape together was expended to fee lawyers and meet court expenses. Some of them starved out or got tired of the harassing struggle and moved away. Those who fought it out to the bitter end and finally procured good titles, when they came to figure up the bill of expense, found that they had paid out more money than it would have cost them to buy their lands out of cost. But this was not all of the mischief which came from the lawsuit.

The fact that the lands were in controversy—that the holders might lose possession at any time if the fortunes of law went against them—that they were obliged to put every dollar they could raise into their lawyers' hands, leaving them nothing for permanent improvements or working capital—had a depressing effect on the whole section. The blight of contention, and poverty was over it all. While the settlements of Anaheim, Santa Ana, Pasadena, Riverside and numerous other places were reaching out for their splendid development, Azusa was still fighting, and doing little else. Of course all law suits have to come to an end some time, and this one, after dragging twenty years and absorbing the full value of the land from each side of the controversy, finally reached a climax. The settlers and their devisees at last held a clear title and were ready to begin anew in the world with an assurance that they might reap the benefits of their improvements.

However, they had lived in an atmosphere of contention so long that they could not readily adjust themselves to their new conditions. Then was the question of water rights to be settled between themselves and between their settlement as a whole and neighboring settlements. This led into more law suits of the most complicated sort, and into all kinds of angry contentions. It was at one time thought necessary to organize a shot-gun brigade and take possession of the source of supply and hold it by force. "The Azusa water war" is a term which has been engrafted into local history. Anybody who has lived here a few years will recognize it as a familiar acquaintance.

But finally even this controversy was ended. Wiser, more conservative and more peaceable counsels prevailed. A spirit of "live and let live" seemed to get into the community. All of the differences were adjusted on an amicable basis, and it was found that, if the water supply was properly handled, there would be enough for all claimants. Then and not till then, began the real substantial development of the Azusa. Since the time peace was declared all along the line, Progress has

been waving her magic wand over the settlement and working the most gratifying transformation. It is today one of the most productive, most promising and most delightful sections of Los Angeles county.

The Azusa Irrigating Company is now about completing a main distributing ditch 16,000 feet long, with a carrying capacity of from 1200 to 2800 inches of water. It is formed of solid six-inch walls of cement on the sides and bottom, and is a model of design and construction. The breadth of the ditch at the bottom is 3 feet 6 inches, at the top 4 feet and the sides stand 3 feet 8 inches high. The contract price for this work is \$21,750. This, however, is only a part of the general distributing system. A series of lateral ditches and pipes yet to be constructed will convey the water from the main ditch to every part of the settlement. The cost of the whole distributing system will be about \$80,000. When completed it will no doubt be one of the finest irrigating plants in the world.

For several years work has been prosecuted vigorously at the source of supply in San Gabriel Cañon. A tunnel was bored through the solid rock, constituting a spur of the mountain, by which to bring the stream out on a proper level and without loss by seepage. Three-quarters of a mile above this a development tunnel has been run into the mountain to the depth of 3000 feet. Its upper end is now beneath the bed of the stream, eighty feet below the surface. This is designed to tap the underflow. It has already augmented the supply about 200 inches, and the work is still progressing.

It seems a pity that since white-winged peace has settled upon the Azusa country with such beneficent results the old-time spirit of contention should again pop its ugly head up in the community. But such is the lamentable fact. One or two of the landowners who do not care to join in the march of progress themselves, and would consequently like to hold everybody else back for company, have begun a suit in the Superior Court to enjoin the company from turning water into the new cement ditch, and thus utilizing the magnificent system.

These balking settlers want the court to issue a mandate to the company obliging it to keep the water running in the old earth ditches, thereby continuing a method of distribution which wastes about 60 per cent. of the supply taken from the cañon. This, however, is only a small speck of war, and we apprehend that it will not develop into serious proportions. It does not seem possible that, on the demand of one or two individuals, any court would order the abandonment of works so costly, so valuable to an entire community, and so essential to the prosperity of the country. If such a precedent were to be established, there would be an end to all public improvements, for nothing is ever attempted on a large scale which does not encounter one or more obstructors.

We congratulate the progressive people of Azusa on the magnificent start which they have made, and we are certain that this latest stumbling block in their path will be quickly removed.

Meanwhile, if there are any other settlements in Southern California that are wasting their substance in disputes and legal controversies, we advise them to take warning by the experience of Azusa, and follow her later rather than her earlier example.

## The Senatorship and the Patronage.

The Stockton Mail, which is one of the staunchest Democratic papers in the State, stands firmly by "Our Steve" in his candidacy for the United States Senatorship, and deduces arguments which ought to set like a lump of lead on the stomachs of those Democrats up in San Francisco who are arrayed in opposition. The great argument among these hostiles has been the distribution of Federal patronage. They want a San Francisco man elected to the Senate so that San Francisco men may have the call on the appointments. The Mail does not waste any words on the shallowness and narrowness of this sort of patriotism, but proceeds to show the patriots how utterly futile their hopes are in any event. To begin with, Mr. Cleveland is himself going to be President of the United States. Secondly, he is the one who will dictate the appointments. Thirdly, he has a long memory, and is not afraid to reward his friends and punish his enemies. The Mail says:

In this view of the case, then, which of the two candidates for the Senate from California, Mr. White or Mr. Foote, does the disinterested reader suppose the President-elect would prefer, should an expression on the subject be obtained from him? It will be remembered that he did not hesitate to say that he desired that Millionaire Murphy of New York should stay at home. Why? Because Murphy was threatened with Hillman.

Mr. Foote and the element of the party that is supporting his candidacy were Hill men. Mr. Cleveland knows perfectly well how they stood, and the election of Mr. Foote ten times over would not efface the knowledge from his memory. On the other hand, the friends of Mr. Cleveland were such at a time when he needed them, are solid for Mr. White, and they, too, are known to the President-elect.

So how can the election of either Mr. White or Mr. Foote affect the status of any member of these two factions? If the Hill-Cleveland hostility were salvaged the situation might be different. But even then it would be nothing more than a manifestation of the instincts of human nature, because of a little reminder his friends in preference to his foes, especially where all things else were equal. And, indeed, in the pursuance of strict party politics this should be so, for it was the Cleveland element of the party that contributed most to carry the State for the national ticket.

Those who imagine they have a mortgage upon the patronage in this State, but cannot show a clear record on this cardinal point, are only deceiving themselves. There is, in fact, an inordinate deal of what is aptly termed "boy politics" at the present time among our local statesmen.

Thus the San Francisco gentlemen who are pinning for Foote and Federal patronage have poor consolation either way they turn. If they happen to be on the wrong side of Cleveland they cannot obtain the leaves and fishes,

whether they are presented to the President's consideration by either Senator Foote or Senator White. This is for them a sad outlook, and the worst thing about it is that it seems so much like a foregone conclusion. "Tis true 'tis pity, and pity 'tis, 'tis true."

R. B. CARPENTER, by courtesy Senator from Los Angeles (accidentally), is credited by the San Francisco Examiner with an ambition to become President pro tem. of the State-Senate. We do not pretend to know or even guess what that end of the late Legislature of a thousand scandals will do in this matter; but certain it is that Carpenter misrepresents Los Angeles, and has forfeited the confidence of this people. He is not devoid of deviousness, which a public official should be; he does not make the public interest his first consideration, which a public official should do, and he is notoriously not independent of corporate influence, which a legislator should be. Mr. Carpenter was the principal lieutenant of the late Harvey Lindley in the recent Waterlool campaign in the Sixth District, and sustained numerous aggravated breakings out at the mouth during the canvass. And every time Carpenter's mouth got loose, Lindley suffered.

"Tis certainly a utilitarian age," said an old-time artisan to an Age of Steel (St. Louis) representative the other day, "and one of the most singular proofs of this fact was witnessed on a recent visit to the city of Chicago. The packing houses in that sleepless metropolis are so arranged that the blood is all caught in a great tank, and after it clots it is carried off to a stamping house, where numerous and powerful machines are kept busy stamping it into buttons. The buttons are made at one stamp of the big dies, and they are said to wear remarkably well. These buttons are easily distinguished by their peculiar dark red color. I am almost prepared to believe anything of Chicago, after this wonderful exhibition of economy in the unromantic domain of pork packing."

That silver conference in Brussels isn't a patching to the one that Lillian Russell, the beefy beauty of Gotham, is having in the newspapers with Ada Rehan about that statue. There is some life and vim in this one, just as there is in most topics that we grab hold of in free America.

WHEN Col. Cobb got up in Congress recently to make an objection the old "where was I at?" was sprung on him amid "uproarious laughter." The joke this time is not on Col. Cobb, by the way, but on Tom Watson, who failed to be reflected.

NO MAN ever succeeded in gaining a woman's love by killing her with a six-shooter. Young men, save your bullets for grizzlies and let the erring sisters go if you don't like their style. Don't shoot!

## AMUSEMENTS.

## AT THE PLAYHOUSES.

GRAND OPERAHOUSE.—Another large audience assembled last night to witness the presentation of *Clair*, an adaptation from the German, which is considered one of the greatest successes of the talented actress who takes the title rôle. Like all the other plays in which Miss Morris has made a world-wide reputation, this is one in which the heart-strings are wrenched and the sentiments of the audience worked up to the highest pitch. As in *Clair*, she is turned out of doors without being allowed to see her child. The harrowing character of the play was intensified by a most realistic couch, with which Miss Morris was afflicted. That a large class of playgoers thoroughly enjoy and appreciate the character of plays of which Miss Morris is so able an exponent was proved by the liberal applause which frequently greeted her. The support again showed itself equal to the occasion. Mr. Colville, as "John Hartner," displaying especial earnestness and realism in the presentation of his difficult rôle.

## HEADS AND FACES.

Special Correspondence of The Times.

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—As I sat eyeing a fashionable girl at a reception I sketched her head and shoulders for today's fashion plate. There need be no other descriptive sentence. You see on her the typical head and face of a swell belle of the winter of 1892-93.

You know how to make court plaster stick! Of course patches are not the fashion just now. Still one wants to put on a tiny square of black plaster sometimes, because of a little transient mark on the face, and if one has once put it on it is embarrassing to have it come off. Even if there is nothing to hide under it, its coming off will leave a little oasis of red skin, so it is as well to know how to keep it on. Cut the square as usual, but snip the edges a little. They won't show a bit, and it gives the plaster room to shrink and yet not get tight around the edges, and so come off. Most things are so simple if you only know about them.

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"Yes," said this same woman, as she reached up her white hand and plucked a red leaf from a red rose that nodded in her winter hat. "I think it such a good idea to wear flowers in the hat at all seasons." Then absent-mindedly she moistened a part of the leaf, and absently she dabbed her lower lip with it. And oh, she has such pretty red lips! Then absently she rubbed her cheeks the least little bit with the dry part of the leaf. And oh, she has such pretty red cheeks!

## NOT ONE OF OUR RINGS!

But we have rings that are equally attractive and our display of silverware is a feast to the eye. If that which is lustrous beyond description, but almost perfectly plain, appeals to your taste, we can show you some superb specimens; if the highly decorated is your line come and look at some of the most pleasing devices that ever left the magic hands of accomplished workers in silver. It would be a mistake for you to suppose that it takes a good deal of money to gratify such tastes. We will clear away misapprehensions on that point if you will call and look at our new goods, and above all, remember this: we will at all times and under all circumstances, be glad to show our stock. It always is a pleasure to have the privilege of displaying what we have to sell. Our strong lines are: Diamonds, watches, the gold jewelry, silverware, both for the table and for personal use, silver novelties, clocks, rich cut glass, silver mounted leather goods, gold and silver headed canes and umbrellas, gold eyeglasses, spectacles and opera glasses. We have the goods and we want to sell them. For variety of style, beauty of design and vastness of assortment no one can compete with us. Our prices are much lower than any other house for goods of the same quality.

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## RUSSELL HARRISON'S FIASCO.

The Queer Financiering of His Helena Newspaper.

A special dispatch from Helena, Mont., to the San Francisco Examiner has this to say about the latest phase of a great scandal:

The attempts that have been made to form a new company and resuscitate the Helena Daily Journal, Russell H. Harrison's former paper, have resulted in complete failure.

The paper was sold by the Sheriff ten days ago, and was bought in by the Merchants' National Bank of this city, under whose attachment for a debt of \$30,000 it was sold.

Just previous to the sale Lew Wallace, Jr., came to Helena as a representative of Russell Harrison, Stephen B. Elkins and R. C. Kerens of St. Louis. The latter gentleman had advanced about \$40,000 to Mr. Harrison, and Mr. Elkins had also a good-sized claim.

Mr. Wallace brought with him a proposition to the effect that a new company for the publication of the journal be incorporated. Elkins and Kerens agreed to take common stock in such a concern to the amount of their claims, and there was to be an issue of \$50,000 of preferred stock. The half of this was to be taken by the bank in return for the material it bought at the Sheriff's sale, and the other half was to be paid for in cash by prominent Republicans of the State. This cash was to be used to keep the paper running, as it was known it had been and would continue to lose about \$1000 a month.

Two weeks of the most thorough canvassing by Mr. Wallace, however, failed to get the necessary cash subscription; in fact, but \$3500 of the \$25,000 was subscribed.

Last night there was a meeting at which Mr. Wallace met half a dozen prominent Republicans. At its conclusion he said it had been without result; that he did not think the Journal would ever be published again, and that he would return East tomorrow.

Mr. Kerens held the Associated Press franchise, and has a claim on the press as security for his advances.

Mr. Elkins is classed among the general creditors, the total of whose claims amounts to \$925,000.

[It is possible that there is one cipher too many added to the figure. If the amount read \$92,500, it would seem quite high enough.]

## Fors of Memory.

[Burlington Hawkeye.]

Scientists have discovered that the memory is stronger among men than in winter. Among the worst foes of the memory are too much food, too much physical exercise, and strangely enough, too much education.

## A SHINING SILVER SOUVENIR.

The World's Fair Columbian Half Dollar for "Times" Subscribers.

The new World's Fair Souvenir Coin, the most artistic coin ever issued from the United States Mint, shows upon its obverse side the head of Columbus, designed from the Lotto portrait. Surrounding the head are the words, "World's Columbian Exposition, Chicago, 1892." On the reverse side appears a caravel, representing Columbus's flagship, and beneath it two hemispheres. Above the caravel are the words "United States of America," and beneath the hemispheres, "Columbian Half Dollar." It is altogether the most distinctive and most sought-after souvenir of the World's Fair, and it can be obtained by anybody through THE TIMES, having made arrangements with the treasurer of the World's Columbian Exposition, Chicago, for a supply. Their variable cash price is ONE DOLLAR EACH. We do not sell them separately, but they will be distributed only as premiums to subscribers of THE TIMES, both new and old, on the terms below:

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## NATIONAL CAPITAL.

Skirmishing on the Silver Question Begun.

Efforts to Get a Vote in the House on Free Coinage.

Railway Magnates Pleading for the Privilege of Pooling.

Proceedings in the Senate and House—Senator George on the Anti-Option Bill—The Proposed Suspension of Immigration.

By Telegram to The Times.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—[By the Associated Press.] The silver and anti-silver elements in the House engaged in a little light skirmishing today in anticipation of the failure of the Brussels International Monetary Conference, from which members say they expect nothing. Each side is now endeavoring to learn something of the purposes and views of the other side. Talks with free silver men and avowed opponents of the present Sherman law show that it is believed to be unlikely that anything will be done at this session, either in the way of repeal of the Sherman law or enactment of more radical silver legislation.

This morning the House Coinage Committee had a regular meeting day set for consideration of the Williams Bill to repeal the Sherman law. Mr. Williams, its author, was not present, and the bill went over. There was some very informal general discussion of the silver question. A proposition was put forward in a rather indefinite shape that an opportunity be given in the House for a vote on the repeal of the Sherman law. The free coinage men were not unwilling that this should be done, but, in order to preserve their present parliamentary advantage, they suggested that the method by which to accomplish this was to take up the Bland bill, which, at the last session was finally displaced by a few dilatory motions after the Speaker had found it necessary to cast the deciding vote on the bill.

Bland and Pierce, leaders of the free silver section of the Democratic party in the House, expressed willingness to give the other side an opportunity to offer the Williams and other bills as amendments to the Bland bill, provided that on their part the anti-silver men would agree to let the House come to a vote on the question of the free coinage of silver, and other propositions more favorable to the extended use of silver currency than the present law.

Tracy and Taylor of Illinois, without committing themselves, were inclined to this view. The committee adjourned without action, however. It is thought that if the committee were to agree unanimously upon some recommendation to the House, the support of the Rules Committee could be obtained for a resolution making a silver bill the special order, but nothing in the past history of the committee warrants the conclusion that it will be able to act harmoniously and as a unit on the question of consideration of silver legislation in the House.

FIFTY-SECOND CONGRESS. SECOND SESSION.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—[By the Associated Press.] The bill authorizing the removal of the Pima and Gila Indians from their reservation in Arizona to another reservation was reported and placed on the calendar.

The President's veto at the last session of the bill to submit to the Court of Private Land Claims the title of William McGarraghan to the Rancho Panoche Grande, in California, was laid before the Senate as the special order, and a vote was about to be taken on the question, "Shall the bill pass," when Mr. Sanders demanded an explanation on the part of friends of the bill of the reasons why it should pass. He explained his own understanding of the matter, one of his objections to the bill being that it rested upon the imputation that the judicial and executive departments of the Government had been for many years past guilty of wrong doing in the premises. His own position was that even if the executive and judicial departments of the Government had been for many years past guilty of wrong doing in the premises, the bill was still valid it would not have found the remotest foundation for such provisions as were contained in the pending bill. He thought, therefore, that Senators should be grateful to the President for having recalled their attention to the bill.

The bill was debated up to 2 o'clock, at which time the morning hour had expired and the bill went over till tomorrow.

The Anti-Option Bill was then taken up and Mr. George resumed his argument in support of his own substitute for it.

Mr. George said he saw in one of the New York papers that deaths in futures in that city had undertaken to punish people because the Senate was considering this bill. Cotton had been made to fall three, four or five points, dealers in futures were undertaking to force the Senate to cease the performance of a great constitutional duty. To show that the fall in cotton was purely fictitious he called attention to the fact that while cotton had gone down in New York, corn and provisions had gone up in Chicago. George spoke for over two hours and did not finish. The bill then went over without action.

Mr. Daniel's resolution calling for information on the subject of the civil service was agreed to.

Adjourned.

House—Mr. Cobb of Missouri reported a bill from the Committee on War Claims for reference to the private calendar for the relief of the heirs of Mary and Randolph Curtis Lee of Virginia, amounting to \$217,000.

The publication of 10,000 copies of the President's annual message was ordered.

After business of minor importance, the House went into committee of the whole on the Army Appropriation Bill. The appropriations carried by the bill are \$24,202,740, against appropriations for the current year of \$24,288,450, and an estimate of \$25,922,568 for the coming year.

The bill having been read for amendments, Mr. Anthony (Dem.) of Texas offered an amendment providing that any retired officer, or retired enlisted man, shall not receive such pay if he is receiving pay from the Government in any other official capacity.

Mr. Bingham (Rep.) of Pennsylvania strenuously opposed this, and referred to the cases of Gen. Sickles and Gen. Rosecrans, to both of whom he paid a high compliment. He was ably seconded by Mr. Outhwaite, and the amendment was rejected.

The committee then rose and the bill passed.

Adjourned.

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IT is conceded by poultry fanciers that the fourth annual show of the County Poultry Association, now going on at the old courthouse, is the best of its kind ever held in Los Angeles. There are fully five hundred birds on exhibition, and it would require for \$6000 to \$7000 in coin to purchase them. One proud monarch of the bantam—an Indian game—has a value of \$35 set on his precious neck, and not a fowl there but would bring \$2.50, while the majority are worth from \$10 to \$100.

Now is now ready for public inspection. All day long yesterday the birds were being marshalled into their pens. The proud peacock was taken from the canvas sack which enveloped him and permitted to spread his tail for the admiration of the visitors; the Toulouse geese from Santa Ana marched into their pens; the Pekin ducks quacked; the frizzled hens ambled slowly into the quarters provided for



them: a quartette of Guinea hens joined the one lone male displayed on Tuesday; several turkey gobblers added their majestic presence to the scene; the tiny silver seabird bantams, about as big as doves, trotted into their cages, and the pigeons cooed softly to a constant orchestral accompaniment of bantam music which was heard two blocks away all day long.

Yesterday morning the Times reporter made the rounds in company with the secretary of the association, John C. Stedman, who has been, he says, a poultry crank ever since, as a boy, he spent all his pocket money to buy a game cock that would lick the other boys' roosters up in San Francisco. He has enjoyed many a fight in the back yard, betting on his favorite while a young man, and his love for the feathered tribe has never lost its vim.

"It is a most remarkable thing," he said, "that some one does not establish an egg ranch here on the plan of the egg farms East. There would be a good sale all the year round, but, with our 125 poultry-breeder in this county, we don't furnish one-half the eggs used. Carloads of poultry also, dressed and alive, are imported here from the East at the holidays, and there is no earthly reason why we shouldn't raise enough and to spare. Is it harder to raise chickens here than in the East? Not a bit. The difficulty is people think because the climate is mild that they can let their chickens run wild. On the contrary, they require the same care they do East. There is such a marked change of temperature in our nights and days here that we cannot keep our chickens in lath houses. We must have a good warm house that will protect them from the fog, and cold, and raw night winds. The same amount invested in chickens here will pay one and one-half as much as if invested in a fine Jersey cow, having in view all the time that the chickens must have the same care that the cow would. A man never thinks of leaving his cow out in a pouring rain, but he will allow his chickens to roost in a tree, on a fence or in a dilapidated old pen with the rain beating in on them. They catch the roup and die, and then people complain that chicken raising does not pay. It pays best to raise chickens for eggs, as one would have to raise seventy-five or a hundred pairs before he would get one to suit the fanciers. A bird that scores ninety-three or ninety-four points here is about as fine as we can expect, a mere fleck or spot marks them down."

"Now here," he continued, leading the way to a pen, "is a bird that will score ninety-six. I think. You will note her clean beak, yellow legs, perfect lobes and the correct Wyandotte shape with feathers white as snow. That is a rare bird. Here is another, a white Plymouth Rock, the bird that is so popular in the East, but that is a brassy neck will cut with like everything. He should be white as snow to be perfect. This breed is popular in San Diego county, but not here. In National City there is a yard of them."

"Here is the black Langshan, but those feathers on his middle toe will cut the score—the white feathers on the outer toe will count as a small imperfection, too. On the contrary, this dark Bantam will be cut, because the feathers ought to come to the outer end of his middle toe, and they don't. You see, there is a rule that holds good for each breed."

"Here are some fine pigeons, put in by a couple of boys, partners in the business. That little parlor tumbler is a trained bird. Turn him loose in the parlor and he will fly up toward the ceiling and tumble about in great fashion. Those are fine black fantails, too, and there are some white ones also. Mr. Tyler has a fine display of pigeons, too, and he may cut the boys out in the contest. Those little Jacobins are beauties," pointing to a pair of snow-white pigeons with regular Queen Anne ruffs about their necks.

"You will notice that many ladies are

entering birds," he continued, "and I'll tell you the secret. Among the 200 special prizes offered is one of an \$8 bonnet to the lady who shall make the best display. It looks as though the contest would be between Mrs. Robert Dunn of Garden Grove, Mmes. Conklin and Paul of this city."

"We have a good display of pit games, too, which is a sign that we have something of the sporting element in town. I notice most of these entries are from our Spanish and French population. Here is a Japanese game, the best fighter in the world."

**SOME INDIVIDUAL EXHIBITS.**  
E. C. Thurber exhibits a fine display of sick, slim Indian games. These birds are prime for table use, but at first glance one wouldn't believe it, they are so trimly built. But just lift one and you are amazed at the weight. On close examination you perceive that the feathers are very short and closely set, and the flesh is perfectly solid. The good "points" of these fowls depend largely upon the double lacing of the feathers, the yellow skin, evenly serrated comb, and size. In one pen hangs a dead Indian game, whose unfortunate neck was broken in the struggle to capture him, but his owner was determined he should come, dead or alive, so his post-mortem presence graces the pen. He weighs eight pounds stripped of his feathers.

H. C. Draves has a magnificent display of Plymouth Rocks from his flock of 150. A black spot on the beak or leg of this breed of birds, or a "cotton-back," that is, feathers not barred to the skin, knocks off the weight. There are eighty-five of these birds on exhibition. "I wouldn't take \$15 for her," said a poultry fancier, as he pointed out a fine Plymouth hen. "See what a perfect beak she has. It can't be beat."

R. A. Rowan has some white-faced black Spanish birds that he says can beat the world. Anyway he is going to try it at the big fair in Chicago next year. He won all the prizes in this class at the National Poultry show held here last year, some of his birds scoring as high as 96.

Mrs. Robert Dunn of Orange county competes for prizes on black Langshans and shows what a woman can do in the poultry business. G. H. Case has some fine Leghorns and Anconas and Mr. Thurston, the well-known breeder of brown Leghorns, exhibits some choice birds.

Mrs. G. M. Smith has a trio of black Langshans, hatched out last year in an incubator and raised in her yard. They are as tame as kittens. There is a pen of fine white Cochins, but their feathers need scrubbing. The judges were taking the weight of birds yesterday, and will begin awarding premiums today.

**LIST OF EXHIBITS.**  
Following is a full list of the exhibitors:

Los Angeles—H. C. Graves, barred Plymouth Rocks, white Leghorns and light Brahmas; H. H. Needham, Plymouth Rocks; L. P. Mendiles, pit games; L. Longstreet, pit games; S. Wolfstein, pit games; Cyrus Donato, pit games; A. E. Olschhausen, Buff Cochins, partridge Cochins, silver-spangled Hamburgs, silver-laced Wyandottes, buff Pekin bantams, all very noted stock; Mrs. M. S. Severance, buff Cochins; H. F. Wilson, fancy pigeons; George Pomeroi, white Wyandottes; T. E. Phillips, dark Brahmas; John Fryaday, Langshans; Bowles Bros., brown Leghorns and Langshans; S. A. Guthrie, barred Plymouth Rocks; Cornish Indian games, silver and golden duck wing game bantams; Mrs. S. A. Bronson, buff Cochins; A. C. Broderson, partridge Cochins; E. G. Dunbar, Plymouth Rocks; J. Mauverin, partridge Cochins, black Langshans, Indian games; Mrs. C. Conklin, white Wyandottes; T. E. Phillips, black Langshans; Albert Cohn, pit games; Dr. S. G. Wilson, Indian games; Mrs. G. B. Smith, bantams and black Langshans; Benjamin Pearson, buff Cochins; Mrs. S. F. Crofts, barred Plymouth Rocks; Dr. R. T. Whittlesey, white Cochins and white Minorcas; John C. Stedman, barred Plymouth Rocks and white Leghorns; Albert Barham, black Langshans; W. T. Sellick, white Plymouth Rocks, black Minorcas, silver Hamburgs; Mrs. C. T. Paul, barred Plymouth Rocks; C. F. E. barred Plymouth Rocks; Mrs. F. H. Ware, white Leghorns, bronze turkeys; C. E. Conklin, Plymouth Rocks, and white Wyandottes; Louis de Mars, barred Plymouth Rocks and brown Leghorns; George H. Case, brown Leghorns, Indian games, red caps, black Langshans and Anconas; Arthur Cohn, brown Leghorns, barred Plymouth Rocks and black Langshans; E. H. Barr, silver-spangled Hamburgs; W. F. Benedict, Plymouth Rocks and brown Leghorns; Charles Shaffer, silver-spangled Hamburgs; Mrs. E. S. Blaisdel, barred Plymouth Rocks; Mrs. Dr. Atkinson, Plymouth Rocks and bronze turkeys; Dr. H. N. Urmey, Indian games; G. Weingard, white and brown Leghorns; Mrs. C. E. Ritchey, buff Cochins; Pasadena—S. Tyler, silver and golden Wyandottes, Indian games, fancy pigeons. He shows twelve different kinds of pigeons. E. D. Tyler, barred Plymouth Rocks; John Knerr, brown Leghorns; W. H. Smith, white Leghorns; J. D. Nash & Son, barred Plymouth Rocks; R. A. Rowan, black Spanish and dark Brahmas; J. H. Outwaite of Sierra Madre, barred Plymouth Rocks and white Leghorns; E. C. Thurber of Alhambra, white Indian games, Cornish Indian games, buff Leghorns; Merrill P. Reed of Redondo, Plymouth Rocks; Mrs. R. Dunn of Garden Grove, black Spanish, white black horns and black Leghorns; W. Tighe of Fillmore, Ventura county, Houdans and light Brahmas; A. E. Power of Obed (Los Angeles county), barred Plymouth Rocks, black Minorcas, black Langshans, peafowls, pearl Guineas; William Niles of Los Angeles, buff Cochins, light Brahmas, bronze turkeys.

The Santa Ana Incubator Company has a supply of incubators, and eggs will hatch out Thursday and Friday. They also have a display of fowls—white Leghorns, brown Leghorns, silver-laced Wyandottes, Houdans, black Langshans.

**"SIMON'S WIFE'S MOTHER."**  
Contributed to The Times.

It may be as old as the hills, but it was new to me, and I enjoyed it; and this is about the way I heard it:

He had occasion to visit New York city, and laid his plans to remain there Sunday that he might obtain some spiritual refreshment of a higher order than his little village afforded.

Desiring the best, he made his way in the morning to one of the way-up churches, and was enchanted with all he saw there; the great organ was a revelation to him; the singing heavenly; but when a tall, lank, ungainly figure arose in the pulpit and announced his text as:

"And Simon's wife's mother lay sick of a fever!"

he had an intuition that he was going to be bored; nor was he disappointed, for the handling of the text was tiresome to a degree.

So in the afternoon he sought a less pretentious house of worship; one of the little churches around the corner in which New York abounds; all there was more in touch with what he had been accustomed to, and he felt that it was good to be there, for he was one of the worshippers, not merely a spectator. But oh, misery of miseries! In stalked his persecutor of the morning, who, awkwardly entering the pulpit, soon again announced in sepulchral tones that:

"Simon's wife's mother lay sick of a fever!"

And then followed without the deviation of a word, the infliction of the morning. This preacher, it seems, was on his travels, and he traveled light, very light; only encumbering himself, it appeared, with a single sermon. But the benediction came at last and our

friend was sure he had had enough of New York churches. So in the evening he crossed over to Brooklyn and inquired the hour, Henry Ward Beecher's church. "Follow the crowd," was the answer, and so doing he soon made one of the immense throng that filled the edifice.

He was impressed by all he saw then as he never had been before, and believed that his real Sunday was now only about to begin, when a slight mist his gaze that plunged him in despair. For there was that nightmare of an apparition about to occupy the pulpit, and in another moment he again heard that:

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It chanced that when about taking boat for his home, early on the following morning, the tower clocks were striking the hour, which, supplemented by the river bells, made an almost deafening jingle. Just then a hand was laid upon his shoulder, and its owner said: "My friend, can you tell me what all these bells are ringing for?"

He recognized the voice perfectly before he saw the face. Revenge is sweet, and here was his opportunity, and so he answered promptly:

"I shouldn't wonder if Simon's wife's mother was dead. I heard three times yesterday she was terrible sick."

**PINE BLUFF.**

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## SIX TO THREE.

## Another Game Captured by the Angels.

## A Scientific Contest Witnessed by a Small Audience.

## Umpire McDonald Almost Causes an Incipient Riot.

## A Decision Which Was Not Satisfactory to the Spectators—Some of the Features of the Game—The Score.

Appropos of the statement that the attendance at yesterday's ball game was slender to the point of absolute lousiness, it may be remarked with propriety that the class of baseball being put up by the two teams now competing for the championship is altogether too good for the very discouraging lack of interest being shown by the people of this city. A better exhibition of baseball playing on scientific lines is seldom seen than that which has been witnessed by the few straggling visitors to Athletic Park during the progress of the present series. But one poor game has been played, that of Saturday last, when the locals were defeated, 14 to 1, and even that game was full of brilliant individual plays and interesting incidents.

Yesterday was even a lighter attendance than usual, and strange to say, the game was correspondingly more exciting than on former days.

Knell and Harper were the two twirlers upon whom were centered the hopes of their respective teams, and it was plain from the start that the contest would be a close one. No runs were made until the third inning, when Umpire McDonald rendered one of his noteworthy decisions, which looked like a bluff at giving the game to San José. With one man out, Everett hit a long fly which landed a good eighteen inches in foul ground to the left of the grand stand, from which it was plainly visible. No one thought of its being called fair till the decision was announced, and the kick that came then was long and vigorous. Bill got two bases on the foul, and scored a little later on an error by Stafford, who could hardly be blamed, as such a rank decision would rattle the coolest player in existence. Even old Pop McCauley being visibly affected.

The Angels came back in good shape in the next inning, however, and made four runs before a man could be put out. Pop hit a double and stole third. Fred took a walk to first and got a bag from Clark, and Glenalvin hit for three bases. Lytle scored the Captain with a hit, stole second and came in on Baldwin's sacrifice. Bill got two bases on the foul. Messrs. Clark and Dooley each secured a run for San José in the fifth. Handsome Charley lammed the sphere for second base, and Clark walking down the line, a two-bagger by Capt. Denny scoring both. No more changes in the score were effected till the seventh, when McCauley again hit on the ball, this time sending it to Lookabaugh for a safe one, and Tredway hit a triple over McCauley's head, a wild pitch by Harper bringing the comedian home.

There were no more runs made by either side, and the game closed with the following score:

LOS ANGELES.		A. B. R. H. B. P. O. A. E.
Brown, C.	4	0 0 0 4 0
Stafford, ss.	4	0 0 2 1 3
McCauley, 1b.	3	2 2 1 0 0
Tredway, H.	3	2 2 0 2 0
Glenalvin, 2b.	3	1 1 0 1 0
Lytle, rf.	4	1 1 1 0 0
Quinn, 3b.	4	0 0 0 3 1
Baldwin, c.	2	0 0 0 1 1
Knell, p.	4	0 1 0 2 0
Total	33	6 7 3 27
SAN JOSE.		A. B. R. H. B. P. O. A. E.
McGucken, H.	5	0 0 0 2 0
Everett, ss.	5	1 1 0 2 2
Dooley, 1b.	4	1 2 2 7 0
Glavin, 2b.	4	1 1 1 0 0
Denny, 3b.	4	0 2 1 1 1
Reitz, 2b.	4	0 0 0 3 3
McVey, cf.	4	0 1 1 2 2
Lookabaugh, rf.	4	0 0 0 1 1
Harper, p.	4	0 0 0 1 1
Total	37	3 7 4 24

Score by Innings.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Los Angeles	0	0	4	0	0	2	0	7
San José	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	3
Total	0	0	4	1	0	2	0	10

Summary.

Earned runs—Los Angeles, 2; San José, 1.

Three base hits—Tredway, Glenalvin.

Two base hits—McCauley, Everett, Dooley, Denny.

Sacrifice hits—Baldwin, Lookabaugh.

First base on errors—Los Angeles, 4; San José, 1.

First base on called balls—Los Angeles, 4; San José, 1.

Struck out—By Harper, 2; by Knell, 7.

Double plays—Stafford to McCauley.

Base balls—Clark, 3; Lytle, 1; Wild Pitches—Harper, 2.

Time of game—1 hour and forty minutes.

Umpire—Mr. McDonald.

Scorer—J. S. Bancroft.

## DIAMOND DUST.

Ladies, remember, game at 2 o'clock. McNaab and Lookabaugh are expected to pitch today.

Count Vanderbeck appears to have lost no flesh as yet through worry over that league suspension.

Four out of six games, and a draw besides, makes Los Angeles' chances for the championship look pretty good.

There are to be two games on Sunday. It has been announced that the full series will be played off, even in the event of Los Angeles getting the next two games, which would determine the series so far as the final result is concerned. There should be a good attendance today and tomorrow, and also on Sunday.

## Licensed to Wed.

Marriage licenses were issued at the County Clerk's office yesterday to the following persons:

N. H. Carey, a native of Indiana, 30 years of age, to Irene Yates, a native of Iowa, 26 years of age; both residents of Pasadena.

F. A. Martin, a native of Illinois, 25 years of age, to Elizabeth B. Meyer, a native of California, 24 years of age; both residents of this city.

I. D. Wilcox, a native of Iowa, 40 years of age, to Maria Hastings, a native of Canada, 27 years of age, of Belmont.

Joseph I. Palmer, a native of Nova Scotia, 29 years of age, to Rozelle de Hart, a native of Missouri, 19 years of age; both residents of Pomona.

Sanford D. Percy, a native of Illinois, 28 years of age, to Jessie B. Thompson, a native of Kansas, 22 years of age; both residents of this city.

## SAN PEDRO HARBOR.

## The Mass-meeting at the Chamber of Commerce Saturday.

The special committee appointed to arrange for a mass-meeting of citizens of Southern California to urge upon Congress the necessity of an appropriation for San Pedro Harbor met yesterday afternoon at the Chamber of Commerce. The following were present: J. P. Widney, W. C. Patterson, Robert McGarvin, M. L. Graff, T. D. Stimson, E. W. Jones, A. W. Francisco.

Dr. Widney was chosen to act as chairman; C. D. Willard acted as secretary.

The secretary read a notice prepared for the calling of the meeting next Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Chamber of Commerce. This notice was adopted by the committee. The secretary was instructed to have it printed immediately and well distributed.

It was moved and carried that a committee of three be appointed to obtain speakers for the meeting. The following were appointed as such committee: Messrs. Freeman, Stimson and Patterson.

It was moved and carried that a committee of three be appointed to prepare resolutions to be presented at the meeting. Messrs. Widney, Graff and Francisco were appointed as such committee.

The secretary was instructed to send invitations to attend the meeting to the commercial bodies of Southern California.

The meeting then adjourned.

## THE CHOO FONG CASE.

## A Quasi Turn in the Affair Taken Yesterday.

## The Complaint Against Ah Him Ordered Dismissed—Dan Lynch Also Arrested, but Almost Immediately Released.

The Choo Fong kidnapping case took a singular turn yesterday, and it is hard to tell what the next move will be on the checkerboard.

As stated yesterday morning, Detective Bosqui returned from San Francisco with Charley Ah Him, the notorious highbinder, in custody. Him was charged with robbery in having assisted in robbing Choo Fong of her jewelry when she was kidnapped by his gang and several white men, as the detectives claim.

Bosqui had warrants for the arrest of Dan Lynch and several deputy constables whom he believed to be implicated in the disgraceful affair.

Neither of the white men could be found night before last, but Dan Lynch was arrested early yesterday afternoon and was at once taken to the central station and booked for robbery.

Lynch and Him were taken before Police Justice Owens shortly after 2 o'clock for arraignment, but before any steps were taken, Justice Owens was called to the telephone by the District Attorney's office and told to dismiss the charges against Him and Lynch on the grounds that the prosecution did not have sufficient evidence to hold them.

This is a singular move, when it is remembered that the complaint was issued from the District Attorney's office on evidence not half as strong as the evidence that has been worked up since the warrants were issued.

Another singular feature is the fact that Ah Him's attorney spent several hours in the District Attorney's office before this order dismissing the charge was given.

The detectives have done a great deal of work, and it was believed would have been given a chance to put their evidence before the Court.

Since the Chinese woman went North several detectives have been engaged in investigating the case, and from what has leaked out, a great deal of sensational evidence has been brought out. It is claimed that the hackman who carried the woman away has been found, and that the house to which she was taken has been located. Not only this, but the names of the white men and the Chinaman who made up the kidnapping party have been secured and their identity established beyond the shadow of a doubt. The story of the affair, as told unofficially, discloses a disgraceful state of affairs, and, in the interests of common decency, it is a pity that the matter could not be ventilated in court.

## THE CORONADO SUICIDE.

## Her Identity as Kate Morgan Established Beyond a Doubt.

All question as to the identity of the unfortunate young woman who committed suicide on the steps of the Coronado Hotel, at San Diego, a few weeks ago, under such mysterious circumstances, was settled yesterday.

Chief of Police J. B. Breuninger of San Diego was in this city yesterday, and visited Chief Glass, who has in his possession a photograph of Mrs. Kate Morgan, which was found among her effects at Contractor Grants when the case was announced that Kate Morgan, Mr. Grant's missing servant girl, and the Coronado suicide, were one and the same person.

As soon as Chief Breuninger caught sight of Mrs. Morgan's picture he remarked: "That is the woman beyond a doubt."

As this part of the mystery is now disposed of, it will be in order for the detectives to ascertain what became of the young woman's money, if it is true, as stated by Mr. Farmer of Hanford, that she had quite a sum when she left him to come to Los Angeles. She told him that she intended to deposit it in a bank, and as she had employment all the time she was in this city, and was not extravagant, she could not have spent the money.

If the detectives ascertain what disposition was made of the money, they are sure to get to the bottom of the case of her suicide.

## John A. Marti Post Election.

The following officers, delegates and alternates were elected by John A. Marti Post No. 153, G.A.R., for the ensuing year: P. C. Nicholas Sheridan; S. V. C. G. A. Grandstrand; J. V. C. J. W. Clawson; Q. M. R. H. Elliott; Surgeon, B. Koch; Chaplain, Thomas Parkness; G. O. Patrick; O. G. Patrick; E. Gethings; Representative, James Prior; Moses Klaus, J. H. Spear, R. H. Elliott; Alternates, J. W. Clawson, J. M. Scott, Joseph H. Kenney, Theo E. Lowe.

## RESTORED LANDS.

## More About That Supreme Court Decision.

## Additional Details of the Lands Affected by It.

## Asphaltum Deposits in the "Weed Patch" District Included.

## Much of the Region Valuable for Farming With a Little Irrigation—What the Railroad Attorney Says.

The United States Supreme Court decision in the Southern Pacific land cases, by which the railroad company's title to the immense grant was declared illegal, and over a million acres was restored to the public domain, is still monopolizing the attention of the legal fraternity. The importance of the decision is difficult to realize, and everything tending to throw any light on the subject is largely sought after.

Everyone concedes that it is one of the most important decisions in the history of the Supreme Court, and the full decision is anxiously awaited. A special dispatch from Washington to the San Francisco Examiner of Tuesday gives the following additional information:

The decision restored 3,200,000 acres of land in California to the general government. This land is situated in Kern, Los Angeles, San Luis Obispo, Ventura, Santa Barbara and San Bernardino counties. The famous "Weed Patch" district, east of the town of Visalia, is included in these lands restored to the public domain; also an extensive area of the valuable asphaltum deposits west of the town of Bakersfield. Huntington and his associates in the Southern Pacific Company are extensively working these asphaltum deposits, and making large shipments to many of the large eastern cities. They have recently constructed a railroad from Bakersfield to those deposits, and have already secured to the East hundreds of carloads of the pavement material. The decision affects them very seriously, in that every odd section of the deposits now belongs to the Government, and while their title to the even sections containing portions of the big asphaltum beds remains undisturbed, the fact that the odd sections are, and probably will be, in other hands, is a menace and probably destroy a monopoly of that business by them.

The "Weed Patch" district, east of Visalia, contains thousands of acres of very fertile land, and as some one has said, "it will some day be a second Fresno, so fertile is the soil and so genial its climate." Streams from the mountains furnish it plenty of water.

Adjoining it and elsewhere in the region affected by the decision are lands that are very valuable with little irrigation. Such lands have a value that will make people anxious to secure them, and they are found in Kern and Los Angeles counties on an extensive scale and on a lesser scale in the other counties already mentioned. The decision, however, in a suit arising out of claims of settlers against such an attitude on the part of the company, decided that the latter's land grant was run west through the State to the ocean, and at no place or time could it run parallel to the ocean.

The land grant of the Southern Pacific Railroad Company extended from San José via Tres Pinos, Alameda, Goshen, Mojave, Los Angeles, Colton and Salton to Yuma. As is well known, the Central Pacific built a line from San Francisco to Goshen without a land grant. The branch line from Goshen to Alameda and from San José to Tres Pinos, through the rough country in San Benito county to Alameda, was never covered by rail, and it was this portion of the land grant to the company that was recently declared forfeited by Congress and thrown open for settlement. By the same forfeiture act, the land grant to the Atlantic and Pacific Company, which was a grant across the State, 100 miles in width, from the Needles, was also thrown open for settlement, but as the latter's land grant was a grant across the State, it was not affected by the same act.

Glancing at a map it will be seen that the decision invalidates the claim of the Huntington people to the odd sections of the Atlantic and Pacific in a tract eighty miles long, across the State, from the Needles to the ocean. The Huntington company, because the grant to the latter overlapped some or all of them. The court held that what Congress granted to the Atlantic and Pacific it could not and did not intend to grant to the other company. This being the case, the fact that Congress revoked the land grant in California to the Atlantic and Pacific, because it failed to build west from the Needles in the required time, caused all the land in that grant to revert to the General Government.

The court's decision, explained more in detail, shows this fact: When the Atlantic and Pacific received a grant of land of every odd section for forty miles on either side of a line that was to run due west across the State to the ocean from the Needles, the land grant act also provided for a ten-mile indemnity limit on either side of the road, and of which the company was to take as many odd sections as it found itself short of in the general grant because of prior claims or titles that existed before its land grant was made. But that were accepted from its grant. But this indemnity clause expressly provided that homestead and preemption rights should continue to exist in the indemnity limit.

A portion of the Southern Pacific Railroad's grant also overlapped this indemnity limit of the Atlantic and Pacific's grant, and the former held that if it did not have a right to the overlapping odd sections in the grant proper of the Atlantic and Pacific it certainly could claim the odd sections in the indemnity limit—some 725,000 acres of land—because the right to select in the indemnity limit only becomes operative after the odd sections in the general grant have been exhausted and have been found to be insufficient. From this premise it was technically reasoned that, as the Atlantic and Pacific had made no effort to exhaust its odd sections in the general grant, the indemnity clause continued to exist, and the Southern Pacific Railroad had a right to take the overlapping odd sections in the indemnity limit.

The court held, however, that the forfeiture of the general grant of land carried with it the odd sections in the indemnity limit, and nothing remained to which the Southern Pacific Railroad could have a shadow of title for any land in the Atlantic

## and Pacific grant, no matter where and how its grant overlapped the other.

By this ruling the Southern Pacific has no show of title to the odd sections along the Goshen and Alameda branch, along which is the famous Mussel Slough district, famous in the land disputes of California. Nor has it any title to the odd sections south along its main line via Bakersfield to Mojave, and for fifty miles southward to Yuma. In other words, its title to 5000 odd sections has been legally destroyed.

How much of this 3,200,000 acres of land will be considered worth of immediate settlement is not known. A large quantity of it is considered very good, with little or no irrigation, but there is also much of it that is barren and more barren. Some of it, however, can be made very fertile by irrigation, and its prospective value will make some people anxious to acquire it. Aside from its fertility, however, comes the question as to how the General Land Office will dispose of it. What the railroad calls "squatters" have occupied for years some portions of it. Others are settled on tracts that they have purchased by quitclaim from the railroad. Still others have bought from the railroad, with the understanding that the company would reimburse them in case it failed to establish its title. In the latter cases the railroad will refund the purchase money. Where it gave a quitclaim deed it did so at a cheap price, and with the understanding that it would not reimburse the purchaser in case its title was of no legal value.

It now remains to be seen whether in disposing of the land the General Land Office will give the preference to those already on the land, as it did when opening the forfeited lands in San Benito county.

The decision recalls to mind the story of how the Huntington syndicate built that portion of the Atlantic and Pacific in California from Mojave east to the Needles. Colton, Huntington et al. built that line several years after the land grant to the Atlantic and Pacific had expired. Instead of becoming a direct contractor, they bought a controlling interest in the stock of the incorporated company represented by that line and built the road. When they acquired it they sold back the controlling interest in the stock for what they had paid for it, got cash for what the road had actually cost them, to build, and a lot of its bonds for the profits they demanded in having constructed it. It is now owned by the Atchafson system.

## A RAILROAD VIEW.

## What One of the Southern Pacific Attorneys Says of the Decision.

The San Francisco Chronicle of Tuesday prints the following interview with Mr. Redding, the attorney for the railroad company, who tried the cases:

Joseph D. Redding, who was counsel for the Southern Pacific and won the case for it before the United States Circuit Court, was seen as soon as the news of the final decision from the United States Supreme Court reversing the decision he had obtained was received. He explained that the decision directly affects those lands embraced within the intersection of the lines of the grant to the Atlantic and Pacific Railroad with those of the grant to the Southern Pacific Company, that is to say, a portion of the lands in the overlapping limits of the two grants.

All these lands are situated between the Colorado River and the Pacific Ocean, along what is now the Atlantic and Pacific and the southernmost section of the Southern Pacific's connection with that line.

The Atlantic and Pacific, by act of Congress, granted the odd-numbered sections of land within twenty miles on each side of its track. As rapidly as the road was built the lands were sold to the company. The entire road was to be built within a specified time and the lands were to be immediately set apart by the grantee. Failure on the part of the railroad company to comply with the conditions was to be followed by the reversion of the lands to the Government.

The grant to the Southern Pacific Company, similar in its provisions, was made subsequently to the grant to the Atlantic and Pacific, and prior to the forfeiture to the Government of the lands which the latter company had failed to locate by not building its road within the time specified. In the event that either railroad could not secure the total amount of land which the act granted it by reason of prior claims in the shape of Mexican grants, an additional belt ten miles beyond the twenty-mile limit on each side of the road was set apart, and from this the "indemnity" lands were to be chosen.

Mr. Redding is of the opinion that the present decision affects only those lands embraced in the intersecting claims of the Southern Pacific's lines along the present lines, south by it to the Atlantic and Pacific, and not the whole of the overlapping sections.

The Government made three separate claims to the land on as many distinct groundswells, that several Mexican grants interfered with the defendant's claims, that any rights to the land had attached by virtue of the attempted location of the Atlantic and Pacific grant, which being made prior to the grant to the Southern Pacific Company, and being forfeited subsequent to the latter grant, did not leave them open at any time to location by the defendant, and third, that the company had failed to build its road within the time specified. Various companies under the Southern Pacific Company was illegal, the many prior incorporations not having been properly amalgamated.

## MR. MUNDAY'S VIEWS.

## Some of the Far-reaching Effects of the Decision.

M. E. C. Munday, who has given the subject of railroad lands and grants much study and attention, yesterday stated that he regarded the decision as one of the most important ever rendered by the Supreme Court, and when its full significance was realized its influence would be felt not only in America, but in the money markets of the world. One reason for this, Mr. Munday said, grew out of the fact that the Southern Pacific had bonded all, or almost all, of the land covered by this decision, and that the bonds were principally in the hands of English holders. The railroad company would, of course, have to make these bonds good, and if there was any hitch in the matter it would have a decidedly unsettling tendency.

Like other attorneys, Mr. Munday said he would prefer to see the full decision before going into a discussion of the subject. He said Mr. Call a high compliment for the manner in which he had conducted the cases to a successful conclusion, but said that the fact must not be overlooked that a number of citizens of this section had cooperated in the matter. The decision was a great thing for Southern California, and, while it would probably be some time before the benefits were felt, a beginning had been made, and it was now only a question of how long the people would have to wait.

## Art Reception.

Wednesday afternoon next, at 3 o'clock, a reception will be given at the rooms of the Art Club (entrance in Chamber of Commerce), when Rev. J. C. Fletcher, Dr. S. H. Weiler, Dr. M. H. Alter and others will discuss matters pertaining to art. All invited. An attractive exhibition of pictures, by students, will be a principal feature of the occasion. Dr. J. C. Fletcher will give, in a few weeks, at the same place, two lectures about Roman horticulture and Pompeian life, etc.



## THE COURTS.

## The Dehail First Street Case Finally Decided.

## The Supreme Court Affirms the Decision Against the City.

## Taking of Testimony in the Ah Yung Murder Trial Concluded.

## No Evidence Offered by the Defense—The Wagner-Bell Trial Continued—Action for Damages Before Judge Shaw—Notes.

The decision of the Supreme Court affirming the judgment of Judge Van Dyke in the case of the City of Los Angeles (appellant) vs. Alice Dehail et al. (respondents) was received yesterday for filing in the city by Deputy Clerk Ashmore, accompanied by the following brief opinion rendered therein:

Action to appropriate to the use of the plaintiff as a public street certain lands of the defendant under proceedings taken by virtue of the act of March 6, 1889 (Stat. 1889, p. 70).

The complaint sets forth an ordinance for the widening of First street from Los Angeles to Alameda streets, adopted by the plaintiff July 8, 1889, and also various steps taken by the municipality under that ordinance, and alleges that a portion of the land required for the widening of the street is the property of the defendant, Alice Dehail, and that the commissioners appointed under said ordinance have determined that she will be damaged by said improvement in the sum of \$378.50, that this amount of money has been tendered to her with a request that she execute a deed for said land to the city, and that she has refused to accept the money or make the tender, and that the plaintiff is entitled to the recovery of the amount of compensation therefor, to which they are entitled. A demurrer to this complaint was sustained, and from the judgment rendered thereon in favor of the defendants plaintiff has appealed.

In Dehail vs. Morford (95 Cal. 457) it was held that the ordinance under which these proceedings were taken did not confer upon the city any jurisdiction to make any improvement contemplated thereby, and it is very evident that, if the ordinance was insufficient to give to the city any jurisdiction to make any improvement, the commissioners appointed under that ordinance would have no authority to determine the amount of money which the owners of the land to be taken should accept for its conveyance to the city, and that the owners cannot be compelled to accept that amount, or to make a conveyance of their land.

This action cannot be upheld as a proceeding to condemn the land in question under the power of eminent domain, or by virtue of the provision of section 18 of the act of March 6, 1889. Before such proceedings can be instituted, it is necessary that the municipality shall have passed a valid ordinance authorizing the improvement. As the ordinance in question conferred no authority to make the improvement, it cannot be used as the basis of any action for condemnation of the land sought to be included in the improvement.

THE AH YUNG MURDER TRIAL.  
The trial of the Ah Yung murder case was concluded in Department One yesterday, so far as the taking of testimony is concerned, and the matter will in all probability be submitted to the jury this evening.

The proceedings commenced with the examination of the witness Officer L. R. Harris, who was recalled for the purpose of detailing the circumstances of the discovery of the body of the deceased boy. He stated that about 5 o'clock Ah Luen told him that he believed his cousin had been murdered, and suggested that his body might have been thrown into the street. Acting upon this suggestion the witness examined the place, but did not make a very searching investigation. Later on, however, he returned to the place, and discovering a human foot protruding from the filth, recovered the body.

Dr. E. A. Bryant was also recalled and questioned as to a few minor points relating to the autopsy.

Officer C. M. Whaling and Ah Luen merely corroborated the witness Harris, and Detective Bosqui testified to the statements made to him by the defendant after arrest, through the medium of Chan Kin Sing, the interpreter.

Francisco Quijada, the father of the deceased, and Thomas Cordoba were called for the purpose of showing that the body recovered by Officer Harris was that of Bernardo Quijada, and Ah Hing, one of the three Chinese who saw the defendant run away from the house and jump the fence, corroborated the testimony of the others.

This closed the case for the prosecution, and Judge Smith ordered Attorney Guthrie to proceed, when to the astonishment of all concerned, the defendant's counsel announced that the defense had no testimony to offer and rested its case. Attorney H. H. Appel of counsel for the prosecution thereupon made the opening address to the jury, and at the close of his argument the court adjourned for the day, the matter going over until this morning.

THE WAGNER-BELL CASE.  
The taking of testimony in the case of Mrs. Lucy C. Wagner vs. W. Lewis Bell et al., an action to declare the Fulton Iron Works a nuisance, was resumed before Judge Otis (sitting for Judge McKinley) and a jury in Department Six yesterday, M. C. Fordham, a neighbor, and the plaintiffs, George and Lucy C. Wagner, being upon the stand. Their evidence was simply a reiteration in detail of the facts recited in their complaint, which was amended in order to conform to the facts, the amount expended by them in improving their property being \$2500 instead of \$25,000. This closed the case for the plaintiffs, and the defendant's counsel thereupon moved the court to allow the jury to be taken down to the works to view the premises, but Judge Otis denied the motion, reasoning that it was almost impossible for the jury to visit the scene without their being practically permitted to take testimony as to the noise created by the trip hammers, or the condition of the house, etc.; that even if it were merely for the purpose of identifying the premises, unless the description thereof in the pleadings was ambiguous, though no particular harm would ensue, he could not see that, on the other hand, it would do any good.

The defense thereupon asked leave to amend the answer so as to specifically deny each and every allegation contained in plaintiff's complaint, and after hearing argument thereon the court, at 4 o'clock, adjourned until 9 o'clock this morning, it being understood that the defendant's attorneys should prepare and submit amendments meanwhile and submit the same this morning.

ACTION FOR DAMAGES.  
The trial of the case of Thomas House et al. vs. Marius Meyer, an action for damages, and the third of its kind upon the calendar of Department Five this week, was commenced before Judge Shaw and a jury this afternoon, the plaintiff being represented by C. C. Stephens, Esq., and Messrs. Ordila

and Reymert appearing for the defense. The jurors selected to try the case were H. A. Barraclough, K. H. Dorsey, J. G. de Turk, J. A. Evans, C. L. Foster, W. Freeman, W. T. Grimes, G. Hanna, A. W. Hathaway, E. Luke, C. S. Shenneman and P. C. Stoll.

The plaintiffs alleged in their complaint that, on July 24 last, while out driving in a buggy with their little girl, near Buena Park in Orange county, they drew up on one side of the road, leaving ample room for vehicles to pass by; but the defendant, who was driving a double team attached to a spring wagon, carelessly and negligently ran into and upset their buggy.

That by reason of this negligence on the part of defendant, Mrs. House was thrown violently to the ground and sustained severe injuries, to her damage in the sum of \$10,000. The defendant, in his answer, denies specifically each and every allegation made by defendants, and alleges that plaintiffs were guilty of contributory negligence.

During the afternoon four witnesses were called upon to testify on behalf of the plaintiffs, viz.: Dr. J. S. Gibbs, who was summoned to attend Mrs. House immediately after the accident, his wife, Mrs. Adella Gibbs, Caspar Schantz and Mrs. Ellen F. Schantz, both of whom saw the collision from their residence near by.

The matter will be taken up again this morning.

Court Notes.

Mrs. Aglae Eliza French has instituted proceedings to obtain a divorce from her husband, James T. French, upon various statutory grounds.

Upon motion of the District Attorney, an information was filed in Department One yesterday morning charging Charles Peterson with receiving stolen property, and Judge Smith ordered that the defendant be arraigned thereon this morning.

The demurrers to the informations filed in the Claude L. Hill embezzlement cases were presented to Judge Smith yesterday morning, but the court being engaged in the trial of the Ah Yung murder case, deferred the hearing of the argument thereon until Monday next.

The case of John Maddock, administrator, vs. W. H. Russell et al., an action to enforce a contract, which was recently tried by Judge Wade, came up for argument in Department Three yesterday, but was continued by consent, until Monday afternoon next.

Mrs. Mary Z. Tuttle was granted a decree by Judge Wade yesterday afternoon divorcing her from Daniel Tuttle upon the grounds of desertion and failure to provide for the family.

The case of the Estate of J. M. Skinner vs. William Niles, an action to recover the sum of \$388.11 due upon a contract for the carpentering work done in the Niles building on Upper Main street, having allowed the matter to go by default, judgment was ordered against him by Judge Wade yesterday, as prayed for by the plaintiff.

The case of Bessie Burns vs. E. O. George et al., an action to foreclose a mortgage on lot 22 of the Galbreath and Thomas tract at Pasadena, for \$1446.83, came up for hearing before Judge Van Dyke yesterday, and the defendant having conveyed the property to plaintiff in full payment of the amount due, a decree was ordered in accordance with the facts.

Judge Van Dyke tried the case of Mrs. Sarah C. Clemens vs. the Central Fruit Land Company, an action to recover \$900 paid upon a contract for the purchase of a twenty-acre tract, which was subsequently rescinded because defendant had no title to the land, yesterday afternoon, and at the close of the testimony, the matter to be submitted upon briefs.

Judge Shaw yesterday morning signed the findings and judgment ordered for the defendants in the case of C. C. Stephens vs. Maria de L. A. Serrano et al., but at the request of the plaintiff, a stay of execution was granted for ten days.

The trial of the damage suit instituted by Mrs. Kate Brown and her children against the Temple Street Cable Railway Company came to an abrupt conclusion in Department Two yesterday morning, the court granting the defendant's motion for a judgment of non-suit.

A stay of proceedings was, however, ordered until the jurors' fees, amounting to \$72, shall have been paid.

The defendant in the case of Mrs. Bridget Kelly vs. the Sunset Telegraph and Telephone Company, which recently resulted in a verdict for the plaintiff for \$500 damages, came into court yesterday morning and paid the jury fees due therein, whereupon Judge Shaw ordered that the verdict be recorded, and, upon motion of the defendant, granted a stay of execution therein for thirty days in order to allow the preparation of a bill of exceptions.

Pursuant to a stipulation filed therein, Judge Otis, yesterday, ordered a judgment of dismissal entered in the case of G. A. Fudicker vs. R. J. Northam, an action on a note, neither party taking any relief thereunder and each side paying its own costs.

In the Township Court yesterday Justice Stanton held a preliminary examination into the cases against George Spiker and A. Kowalski, charged with having assaulted each other at Verdugo recently, and it being shown that the latter had merely acted in self-defense after his assailant had shot at him, Kowalski was discharged, but Spiker was held to answer to the charge of assault with a deadly weapon, under bonds in the sum of \$800.

Among the documents filed with the County Clerk yesterday were the preliminary papers in the following new cases:

Los Angeles Savings Bank vs. Langston S. Winston et al., suit to foreclose a mortgage on twenty-seven acres of land for \$3886.23.

R. M. Town vs. J. F. Elliott, suit to foreclose a contract for the sale of a piece of land in the Woolen Mill tract for \$1700.

Today's Calendar.

DEPARTMENT ONE—Judge Smith. People, etc., vs. Charles Peterson; felony, arraignment.

People, etc., vs. Ah Yung; murder, on trial.

DEPARTMENT TWO—Judge Clark. Estate of Rhoda Conner, deceased; re: estate of Adam W. Thaxter, deceased; citation.

Estate of John A. Hutton, deceased; account and distribution.

Josephine Strain vs. David Strain; divorce.

DEPARTMENT THREE—Judge Wade. Clear.

DEPARTMENT FOUR—Judge Van Dyke. Ynez Cota de Lyon vs. D. W. Field, administrator, et al.; suit title.

DEPARTMENT FIVE—Judge Shaw. Vernon Irrigation Company vs. City of Los Angeles et al.; quit title.

Thomas House et al. vs. Marius Meyer, on trial.

DEPARTMENT SIX—Judge Otis (pro tem). Eugenia A. Biewend vs. Henry E. Biewend, divorce.

Lucy C. Wagner vs. W. Lewis Bell et al., on trial.

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## RAILROAD AFFAIRS.

## The Excursions Expected to Arrive This Season.

## The Cooks' Tourist Agency Has Discovered Southern California.

## Some Local Changes in the Southern Pacific Traffic Department.

## Railroaders Go Gold Hunting—Excitement on the Atlantic and Pacific Road—General, Local and Personal Railroad Mention.

Three of the excursions which will come to Southern California this season will be run under the auspices of Thomas Cook & Son, a famous excursion firm that has hitherto paid no attention to California as an objective point for tourists. This firm, which has sent thousands of Americans up the Nile, to the Pyramids, the Holy Land and around the world, will now try to exhibit some of the wonders of this country. Their excursions are due to arrive in Los Angeles January 26, February 28 and March 28.

The Raymond & Whitcomb people, during the season, have ten excursions to Southern California, two of which have already arrived. The next one is due on the 17th inst. Their "business men's" excursion will arrive February 18. The Pennsylvania Railroad's excursion, known as the "Golden Gate special," will be three in number, due to arrive February 21, March 12 and April 11. Beside these there will be the regular excursions which are run by various roads once a week.

RAILROAD MEN WITH GOLD FEVER.  
A. B. Brode, freight and ticket agent for the Atlantic and Pacific at Hackberry, Ariz., was in the city last evening on his way to Huntington, W. Va., whither he goes to visit his relatives.

Mr. Brode says that rumors have magnified the extent of the migration of Atlantic and Pacific employees to the new gold field of Utah. While it is true that the agents and telegraph operators have resigned and abandoned their situations to go to the new El Dorado, the number is not so great as to cripple the operation of the road. The story that the brakemen are abandoning their trains at points nearest the gold field, in order to join the crowd, is denied. The excitement is great, but there are plenty of level-headed men to take the positions vacated by those who catch the gold fever.

A ROAD TO UTAH.  
Reference was made in this paper some time ago to the effect that work would soon begin on a new railroad from Goff's, on the Atlantic and Pacific, to some mines to the northward of that point. It appears, by a special dispatch from Denver, that the promoters of the enterprise have ambitions beyond the original object: The dispatch says: "The railroads will begin the building of the new line due north from Goff's, on the Atlantic and Pacific. The first branch will be 100 miles long, and will extend into Southern Nevada. The terminus to be entered is extremely rich in minerals, and has been long known to the world. It is called the 'Pug' mine. Rock Island officials are interested in the line."

W. H. Hamilton, agent for the Chicago and Northwestern, went to San Francisco yesterday on business.

It is understood that G. B. Ochiltree, now soliciting passenger agent for the Southern Pacific in Los Angeles, will succeed A. W. Brunner as agent for the company at Riverside.

J. M. Crawley, assistant general freight and passenger agent of the Southern Pacific, returned yesterday from San Francisco, where for the past week he has been in consultation with officials at headquarters.

It is rumored that the Los Angeles ticket brokers, in their new organization for the purpose of boycotting all transcontinental roads except one, will select the Rock Island as the favored line to get all their business. They held another meeting last evening to perfect their organization.

It is very properly supposed when the interstate commerce law went into effect the railroad officials would endeavor to do their duty to suit their own ideas when they felt like it, now that there are especially urgent reasons for amendments to the law the highway officials will see to it that pooling may be done.

The annual report of the Atchison Hospital Association has just been issued. For the year ending June 30, it shows treatment of 2766 cases of injury, there being only thirty-five deaths from such causes. Employees and others to the number of 18,954, suffering from various diseases, were treated. Hospitals are located at Fort Madison, Ottawa, La Junta and Las Vegas. The receipts for the year were \$80,571.88, and expenses were \$78,376.38, leaving a surplus of \$2,195.50. The monthly assessments for the hospital fund are 25 cents for employees earning \$50 or less, 35 cents for those earning more than \$50 and less than \$60, 50 cents for those earning \$60 and less than \$100 and \$1 for those earning over \$100 a month. Contributors to the fund are entitled to at least four months' continuous treatment, if necessary, at any of the hospitals.

A Chicago exchange says: While the railroads are contending that they cannot afford to make reasonable reductions in passenger rates during the winter, the Fair period next summer, their actions do not prove that they are sincere in their statements. If there was as little money in the passenger traffic as they profess, they would certainly desist from paying such excessive commissions to ticket agents and scalpers as is now being done west of the Missouri River. It is understood that the transmissio lines are now paying as large commissions as they find necessary to secure the business. The blame for the trouble is claimed to be due to the fight between the Union Pacific and its competitors, the latter refusing to honor the former's round-trip tickets. The Union Pacific is charged with paying a commission of \$5 per passenger from the Missouri River to Colorado points. The agreed commission heretofore was \$1 for each ticket on such business.

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## FRUIT-GROWERS' UNION.

## The Report of the Manager for the Past Season.

## George J. Mitchell, manager of the Fruit-growers' Union of Southern California, has compiled his report of the operations of the union for the past year. The report is as follows:

The orange shipping season of 1891-92 opened with bright prospects for the growers, and the union, but the windstorm of December 10, followed by the heavy frost of Christmas night, entirely blighted these prospects, and the season turned out to be one of unprecedented disaster. The board of directors decided that in spite of the calamity which had overtaken the citrus industry, and which caused the loss of nearly one-half the crop of Southern California, the union must remain in the field and do the best possible for the growers. The call made by the directors of \$1 per share on stock subscribed was not generally responded to, and the manager was from the outset badly crippled for want of funds, only some \$500 being paid in. Nothing could be done in the way of establishing agencies because of lack of funds, and the directors were forced to ship through commission houses, as was done the season before, not ship at all. The manager used every means in his power to obtain reliable market quotations, but found that on account of the condition of the fruit shipped the quotations could be had only at a loss. He laid the matter before the Executive Committee, and it was decided that, under the circumstances, it was best to send out no quotations at all.

A limited number of cars were shipped by the union, some seventy in all, from San Gabriel, Duarte, Pomona and Ontario. The quality of the fruit offered was not, as a rule, first-class, and in many cases the fruit was unfit for shipment. In the nature of things it was impossible to obtain good fruit. Prices ruled low, and growers were disappointed with returns. Early in the season California oranges were placed on the "black list" in Eastern markets on account of the large quantity of frozen fruit shipped, so that even after this frozen stuff ceased to go forward, the depressing effect remained, and fair prices could not be obtained for really good fruit. Bayers East were as much dissatisfied as shippers here. Settlements were hard to obtain, returns very badly delayed, and much dissatisfaction was the result. A comparison with the results obtained by other shippers shows, however, that the union did as well as the whole as any shipper in the market. The season throughout, caused by tremendous disaster, was one of disappointment and heavy loss. The pledges made of 2 cents per box toward the support of the union, though honorably kept by a few, were very generally disregarded. The manager has paid all debts, so the union does not owe one cent to anybody, and the report of the secretary.

In case you decide to keep the union in existence, the manager would make the following suggestions:

First—The amount of the capital stock subscribed (some 1200 shares, out of 20,000) is entirely inadequate.

Second—The manager clearly shows that it is utterly useless to attempt what the union was formed to do, that is, handle and market a large quantity of fruit, and that adequate funds, a capital stock of not less than \$100,000—not subscribed, but paid-up—is absolutely necessary to properly and successfully do the business for which the union was formed.

Mr. Mitchell also submits a financial statement, showing that the receipts for the season from all sources were \$2798.10, and expenditures the same.

## SLASHED WITH A RAZOR.

## Johnny Manning Probably Fatally Wounded by a Negro.

His Assailant Supposed to Be "Pomp" Smith—A Dog the Cause of the Dispute Which Led Up to the Cutting.

At 7:20 o'clock last night a serious cutting scrape took place in Billy Manning's old place on Pico Heights, between the ex-"pug" brother, John Manning, and a negro supposed to be Pomp Smith.

Smith used a razor, and succeeded in slashing Manning's face on the right side from the temple to the jaw, and then drew the razor across the throat, almost severing the head from the body.

As a parting cut, the negro drew the razor across Manning's right arm, just below the shoulder, cutting it to the bone.

Dr. Hall happened to be near by, and was called in, and found the wounded man in a bad way, for the cuts on the face and under the chin are deep, and up to 8:30 o'clock the doctor had not succeeded in checking the flow of blood. He sent to the city for another doctor.

The men got into a fight over the negro's dog, and Manning is a professional prize-fighter, he did not hesitate to jump the negro. The fight only lasted a few seconds, when the negro drew a razor and went to work.

J. B. Claverie, who lives next door, and Clearance Hall and William Franklin, who conduct Billy Manning's saloon, attempted to capture Smith, but he got away, after cutting Hall's hand severely. The dog, which caused the trouble, stood by his master when the three men attempted to capture him, and chewed Claverie up in pretty good shape.

At 11 o'clock last night Officer Conley arrested Smith on the corner of Arcadia and Main streets, in the Pacific Gardens, and lodged him in the City Prison.

He was a little drunk and denied that he had a fight with Manning, but the officers are confident that he is the man. When searched at the central station, blood was found on his shirt sleeves.

When last heard from Manning was sinking fast, and Drs. Smith and Hill stated that he could not live until morning.

Officer Hawley made an investigation, which showed beyond a doubt that the cutting was done by Smith. Several persons were found who saw the cutting, and a strong case will be made out against him.

Fifth, Fraud and Perjury.  
(Murat Halstead's New York Correspondence.)

New York, Dec. 8.—There is a streak of Democratic fads just now that is at once provoking and amusing:

1. Reeking all over with fraud, the Democrats are panting for purity.

2. On a platform that protection is a fraud and reciprocity a sham, they deny the tariff to free traders.

3. Crying and protesting steadily that they are tariff reformers, they seek the aid of the Republicans to pull them out of the hole into which they have been plunged by a malignant stupidity of pretension.

4. Talking of sound money, they are committed thoroughly to State bank schemes of issue, and that there may be an abundant sufficiency of currency, they demand billions of greenbacks.

5. Chattering over the repeal of the Sherman silver law, they do not venture to say what is to take the place of that measure, and they know perfectly well three-fourths of the Democratic party are in favor of free silver, or any other form of irregularity and unsoundness of finance, and the greater the fluctuation the stronger the recommendation.

Whenever there is any reform proposed made in the name of the Democratic party, if you stick in a pin you are sure to puncture a fraud.

## A KNOTTY PROBLEM.

## Legislators Anxious to Know When Their Duties Commence.

## Some of the Difficulties Growing Out of the First of January Coming on Sunday—Atty.-Gen. Hart's Opinion.

## The San Francisco Examiner of Tuesday publishes the following:

The Senators and Assemblymen who will serve in the next Legislature have been worrying for several weeks over what has proved to them to be a very knotty problem. They are all anxious to know when their duties as legislators will commence.

The result of the confusion has grown out of the fact that January 1 falls on Sunday. Section 10 of the Political Code provides that when December 31, January 1, could be the first day of the Legislature.

On the other hand the State Constitution provides that the Legislature shall convene on the first Monday in January. The first Monday in January of next year will, according to the provisions of the code, be a legal holiday, as the new year begins on Sunday.

To add to the bewilderment of the members of both houses, section 13 of the Political Code provides that when the time for the fulfillment of any act of a secular nature, other than a work of necessity or mercy, falls on a holiday, it can be performed on the next business day.

Some of the legislators believe that they should convene on January 2, others incline to the belief that Tuesday, January 3, is the proper time, while the remainder insist that as the first Monday in January is a holiday, it does not count, and that Monday, January 9, is the proper time for commencing their labors.

The result of this diversity of opinions has given Atty.-Gen. Hart considerable additional work. He has been written to by many of the Assemblymen and Senators for his opinion on the subject, and he is also expecting a communication from the Secretary of State.

In talking of the matter yesterday Gen. Hart said that the Constitution of the State provides that the Legislature shall convene at noon on the first Monday in January.

"There is a statute," he added, "providing that when January 1, among other holidays, falls on Sunday the next day is a legal holiday, but it cannot change or affect the constitutional provision referring to the convening of the Legislature. It is true that Monday, January 2, 1893, will be a legal holiday regarding all courts and persons excepting the Legislature, and the Legislature. The Legislature should convene that day, and such has been the opinion I have given to the legislators who have sought my advice on the matter. Every statute must give way when it conflicts with a constitutional provision."

Senator Frank McGowan of Humboldt, Senator Carpenter of Los Angeles and Senator Flint of San Benito are in the fight for president pro tem of the Senate. McGowan has many friends working for him in the northern part of the State, and they are satisfied that with the strength they have there, and what they will receive from the "hold-over" Senators from San Francisco, they will win.

Marcus D. Boruck is being pushed forward by his friends for secretary of the Senate. F. J. Brandon of San José is in the field against him. Both aspirants have occupied the coveted position before, and are thoroughly acquainted with the duties of the office.

Thomas Rodgers of Kern county, who was sergeant-at-arms of the Senate at the last session, would like to succeed himself. Against him is Mike Smith, the proprietor of a market street saloon.

An effort will be made at the next session of the Legislature to have a bill passed providing for the division of Los Angeles and San Bernardino counties and the formation of a new county, with Riverside as the county seat. A delegation of workers will reach Sacramento before the Legislature convenes to urge the passage of the bill.

## UNITY CLUB.

## Three Interesting Papers Read Before an Appreciative Audience.

Three interesting papers were read before the Unity Club last evening before the usual assemblage of about five hundred people, who comfortably filled the main audience room of Unity Church.

The first one recounted the personal experience of William H. Knight, who crossed the Atlantic in the ocean giant, the City of Rome, in 1889, to attend the World's Exposition at Paris. He kept the audience in good humor, while he gave them racy pictures of sea life, mal-de-mer icebergs and other salt-water incidents.

The next paper was by William J. Hutchins, a recent graduate of Yale University, who gave a scholarly and comprehensive history of the influence of India upon English diplomacy, conquests and literature. India was both a curse and a blessing, a source of power and wealth, and an enormous expense. It excited a peculiar influence upon her religious, literary and even her domestic life.

The third paper of the evening, by Rev. A. Blum, considered Disraeli as Jew, Christian, novelist, parliamentarian, statesman, peer and diplomatist. It was replete with eloquent descriptions of struggle and triumph, finally crowned with the highest honors.

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## WANTS HIS FREEDOM

F. M. Garrett Moving to Secure a Pardon.

His Daughter Declares That She Perjured Herself

When She Swore He Was the Author of Her Ruin.

She Says She Sacrificed Her Father to Save Her Lover—Her Letter to Gov. Markham—The Facts in the Case.

Most people in Los Angeles and vicinity will remember the Garrett incest case, which caused such a sensation in the latter part of 1889, and which resulted, after two trials, in Capt. F. M. Garrett being convicted and sentenced to ten years' imprisonment in San Quentin. Garrett first came to Los Angeles in 1887 or 1888, and was first employed as a detective by Mayor Workman. He claimed to have been connected with the New Orleans police force, and also said he had been a railroad detective in St. Louis. He was a good talker, and had quite a faculty of making friends. His family consisted of two daughters, Malah, aged 16, and Ella, aged 10. Garrett aspired to be Chief of Police, and almost succeeded, but was finally provided for in the office of the Street Superintendent. Garrett's family affairs first became public through the arrest of James Edgcomb, a worthless young painter, for the seduction of the elder girl, Malah. This matter was settled by Edgcomb marrying the girl, and almost immediately after she swore to a complaint charging her father with having been criminally intimate with her. The trial which followed was a most sensational one, and a frightful state of depravity on Garrett's part was developed. Not only did the elder girl testify repeatedly that her father was the author of her ruin, giving the most minute details as to times and places when the criminal acts were committed, but her testimony was corroborated by the younger girl, and damaging testimony was also adduced as to Garrett's past life at New Orleans. As the result of this evidence Garrett was finally convicted and sent to San Quentin, and the girl and her husband left the city. From time to time reports have reached this city of the wretched life the miserable girl was leading with her drunken husband, but of late nothing has been heard of them.

For the first year that Garrett was in San Quentin was very quiet. He then began to pose as an injured innocent, and it now appears that there is an organized movement to secure his pardon. The San Francisco Examiner of Tuesday devotes two columns to the case, taking the line that he is innocent, and publishes a letter from the daughter, in which she confesses that she perjured herself and consigned her father to the penitentiary to save her lover. All of this will be news to people who are familiar with the case. Garrett has a trial and every opportunity was given him to prove his innocence. There was nothing in the testimony of the girl to show that she was not telling the truth; in fact, she tried in every way in her power to shield her father, and when sentence was passed it was the general opinion that he had escaped with a very light penalty, considering the enormity of his offense. Following is the daughter's letter to Gov. Markham, asking executive clemency for her father:

MOBILE (Ala.) Sept. 9, 1892.  
His Excellency, Gov. H. H. Markham, Sacramento, Cal.—DEAR SIR: I am informed that my father, Capt. F. M. Garrett, has petitioned you to pardon and release him from prison at San Quentin, where he is now serving a ten years' sentence. I am his daughter and was the principal witness against him, and I wish to make a statement of the facts in the case, and to inform and aid others in securing his conviction.

My father, my little sister and I were keeping house, and we were a happy family until I met a man by the name of James Edgcomb, who, on one afternoon while my father was at the office, called at our house, and when I went to the door introduced himself and asked that he might call on me. I was only 15 years old, and I felt highly elated over the idea of receiving attention. I told him I would not answer him next day, as I had to go to school. I told him that I would not answer him next day, as I had to go to school. I told him that I would not answer him next day, as I had to go to school.

However, James Edgcomb came the next day, and papa forbade him the house. I pleaded and begged to allow him to come once in a while, but papa said he had said he had to go to school. I let him come to the house against my father's will. We became engaged to be married, but I was betrayed by him. I went to him one day and pleaded, but he refused and cursed me. I returned home and told my father, and he became so enraged that for two days he hunted Edgcomb, intending to kill him. He could not find him, though, and so made charges on which Edgcomb was arrested.

Papa was so angry with me for the disgrace I had brought upon him that he threatened to disown me. I was afraid he would put me out, so when Edgcomb's friends came to get him, I begged him to marry me. I was only 16 years old, and I was married to him in the jail. By the influence of my husband and others I was then made to put a charge against my father in order to clear Edgcomb. There were two witnesses who were made to perjure themselves in Edgcomb's behalf and to papa's downfall. Almost every word they spoke was false.

I understand you have in your possession a letter written by me to my mother-in-law, which I never finished nor signed. I do not remember everything I said in that letter, but to the best of my recollection, what I did write was true. My father is innocent of the charge on which he was convicted. He has raised me tenderly, nursed me through my many sicknesses, struggled hard for a living to send me to school, and in every sense of the word, has been a loving and good father.

If I was in Sacramento I would go to you and kneel at your feet and beg of you to right the terrible wrong which has been done to my father, for again I say he is innocent. I pray that you look into this matter carefully, and my prayer to God and to you is to see the wrong made right. And surely if you answer that earnest prayer you will receive your crown of glory before the Great White Throne of God. I pray that the beautiful angels will hover around you and guide you to do right.

Think what it must be to be in prison, sick, with criminals of the deepest dye, shut away from the outside world for something you had never done. I was made to do wrong, but my prayer by day and by night is for God to forgive me for being instrumental in placing papa where he is. I have never been happy for one moment since my father has been in prison.

My sin was great, but my punishment has been greater. I had a dear, beautiful little baby who was my heart's idol. God took that baby. My husband has proven a villain in more ways than one. Thus you see I have repented what I have done. But what must my father's life be, suffering for nothing?

Oh, you are a good, powerful man. On you hangs the life of an innocent man. Give him life, for he will never serve out his time. He is sick and it will surely kill him. I hope I have not consumed too much of your valuable time, but to me this is a matter of right and wrong; to my father it means life or death. With a prayer on my

lips that you will see justice done to an innocent man, and that man my father, I will close, hoping you will deem this worthy of your immediate attention.

I remain, with great respect,  
Mrs. J. Edgcomb.

## REFORM ASSOCIATION.

Preliminary Steps Taken by the Executive Committee.

The Executive Committee of the Citizens' Reform Association held its first regular meeting yesterday afternoon in the office of H. O. Collins, all of the members appointed being present with the exception of Messrs. Brotherton and Freeman, who were detained from attending by business engagements.

T. D. Stinson, as president of the new organization, acted as chairman, and H. O. Collins as secretary, both being ex-officio members of the committee in their respective positions, as provided for in the plan of procedure adopted.

Those present, by the interest manifested, showed that they were thoroughly determined to carry out the movement through to a successful finish at any cost. The whole situation was discussed at length, and many new features presented along the line of proposed reform as well as the various means by which remedies could be secured. As before mentioned, the accepted plan of action most favorably considered by all is to introduce into the next Legislature such bills to become general laws as will affect the city and county governments on the points desired.

The committee yesterday made a good beginning in the line of preparation, appointing, after thorough consideration of all necessary details, various sub-committees and outlining the general work.

Upon motion it was agreed to have a circular letter drawn up to mail to leading men throughout the county, soliciting their support and asking them to assist in securing members for the association, in order that the movement might be widely disseminated. H. O. Collins and Abbot Kinney being appointed to take that branch in charge.

Messrs. Hazard, Klokke and Forman were designated as a committee to select some city lawyer best qualified to draw up the bills for presentation before the Legislature, with Messrs. Silent, Stephens, Murphy, Variel and Hutton as a supplementary committee, to examine and pass upon any such papers drawn up for passage.

Other committees were appointed as follows:  
On ways and means—Messrs. Hazard, H. Newman, William Lacy and J. S. Sloan.

On further investigation and compilers of statistics—G. J. Griffith and Abbot Kinney.

The committee will meet again on Wednesday next at 2 p.m.

## ENGLISH COLONISTS.

Movement to Induce Them to Settle on California Lands.

While the practice of investment by English capitalists in large tracts of lands on a purely speculative basis in America is looked upon with disfavor and generally discountenanced, there is one form of English patronage which Americans do care to encourage, and that is the settlement of English colonists of the middle class, who buy small lots of realty with the intent of improving and making it their home place from which they may derive a comfortable living. Among such people in London are several companies now working with the idea of inducing them to immigrate to California. Maj. Housen, a representative of one of those organizations, arrived in the city this week from London, on a trip of business and pleasure combined. To a Times reporter he outlined briefly the course of work upon which his firm were engaged and the general probabilities for increasing the business of the same.

The English people, he said, as a rule are inclined to be incredulous of the description given them of the wonderful resources capable of being developed in this section, as they can scarcely believe in any investment which gives them a larger return than they can get at home. The companies endeavored to give a fair statement, without discoloration, of things as they exist, not wishing any one to come over and be dissatisfied with their bargains. Under the present arrangement of the English firm, working in conjunction with the land company, each colonist may purchase any amount of land in parcels of over twenty acres, paying for the same in installments covering five years of time.

After the difficulty of prejudice and lack of belief in the country's description and possibilities are overcome and a number of colonies settled, it is expected that immigration will be largely increased and much of the now unimproved land of the State will be settled with a thrifty and industrious people.

## Another Railroad Needed.

O. H. Morton, now visiting in Southern California, writes at length to THE TIMES on the growth and progress of this section as he finds it, after an interval of absence. He is more than pleased with the prospect, but laments the condition of transportation affairs, claiming that by means of a combine now existing, the railroad companies are not working for the interest of the country in the way that they should, rather favoring Florida and other localities. He believes the rates charged, both passenger and freight, between here and the East exorbitant beyond reason, and thinks that the only way to escape the clutches of alleged monopoly is by putting through an opposition road connecting this city with Salt Lake.

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